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JUDGE BELL HERE FOR RAILROAD COMMISSION

Community Chest Fund Campaign Yet Being Raised

LIBERAL GIFTS AND ALL OTHERS ARE APPRECIATED

The latest report from the Community Chest shows that the needed fund of \$6500.00 to support Charity, Red Cross, the library, and the Salvation Army is still over one thousand dollars in excess of the total subscriptions to date. Many very liberal gifts have been secured but a great many people have failed to give an adequate pledge. The Community Chest covers four worthy movements which will certainly suffer unless the citizens rally and cooperate to complete the campaign. An unprecedented situation has existed in Mexia for the last few days making it a hard time to secure volunteers to work the districts. But with the swelling of the wealth of Mexia will come a greater need than ever for the work supported by the Community Chest. Mexia must not fall her children, her poor, her Red Cross and her Salvation Army. Let us rally and complete the campaign. The chest would likely have been filled before but due to the excitement of the new oil discovery, the public mind has been diverted from the movement. Rev. V. K. Aubrey, chairman, urges the need of finishing promptly.

DRY HOLES HELP IN LOCATING NEW FIELD

Old timers in Wortham recall that several years ago, a good showing of oil was reported in the Shankle and Hildreth wildcat test on the R. G. Puerfoy, located one mile due East of Wortham. It is generally believed that this spot marks the rugged edge of the east side of the Wortham structure. Trap-shooter Reilly also wildcatted in the district about a mile Northeast, drilling its Mary Crouch 1, which proved dry at a depth of 3220 feet. This is conceded by many to be the West side of the fault. The dry holes on the Crouch and Puerfoy are only about one mile apart, and the new field is trending in between these two failures. With these limits; with other dry holes between the Fishpond and the Boyd Boyd 1 at this end of the new field, operators have knowledge that will save them millions of dollars.

To Promote Tick Eradication

(By United Press)
SAN ANTONIO, Nov. 29.—Letters have been sent to representative cattlemen, legislators, county judges, members of commissioners courts and other prominent citizens of the state asking them to convene here on Dec. 3 to discuss plans for tick eradication during the administration of Mrs. Miriam A. Ferguson.

Humphreys Building Being Placed In Shape Rapidly For Boyd Oil Company—Main and Sherman Sts.

Work is going forward rapidly on preparing the Humphreys Building for the headquarters of the Boyd Oil Company. The orders from Colonel A. E. Humphreys are to fix them up just like they were before. By Thursday, if not earlier, the work will have been completed, with the exception that the paint will not be dry. The building is well arranged for offices which are large, well ventilated and due to the arrangement especially designed for various departments of an oil com-

Operators Lease District Prior To New Discovery

The new Mexia Wortham oil field presented several unusual aspects, it is pointed out daily. One of the most interesting is the fact that in this instance the lease speculator had practically completed his work before the field was discovered and by the time the first well was in, the leases were held largely by operators and companies who expect to hold what they have and develop as rapidly as subsequent showings warrant.

PURE PRESIDENT B. G. DAWES IS ON BUSINESS TRIP HERE

B. G. Dawes, president of the Pure Oil Company, and brother of the Vice President elect of the United States, Charles G. Dawes, of Columbus, Ohio, reached Mexia at noon Saturday. He will meet with other officials of the company while on this tour of inspection of their properties in Texas. The Pure Oil Company holds some of its most valuable producing properties in the Mexia oil field, having purchased the Old Humphreys Oil Company's holdings here. Since its establishment in Mexia, the Company has also secured producing property in other Balcones Mexia fault pools and has a number of leases in the new oil field Northeast.

Giant Cunarder Goes To Aid Of Distressed Ship

(By United Press)
NEW YORK, Nov. 29.—The giant Cunarder Berongaria, which sailed Wednesday for Southampton, sped today to the assistance of the Italian steamship Castel Porziano, which is in distress in mid-Atlantic, according to wireless messages received here. Italian ship is a freighter with 60 men aboard. She sent out distress signals last evening, saying her steering gear was disabled. The position given was 1,400 miles from Sandy Hook.

FURTHER TAX REDUCTION NOT TO BE ATTEMPTED

(By United Press)
WASHINGTON, Nov. 29.—Further tax reduction will not be attempted until next year, Chairman Smoot of the Senate Finance Committee, announced. Smoot said he would withhold the resolutions for a flat 25 per cent reduction at this session of congress. All republican leaders are in accord.

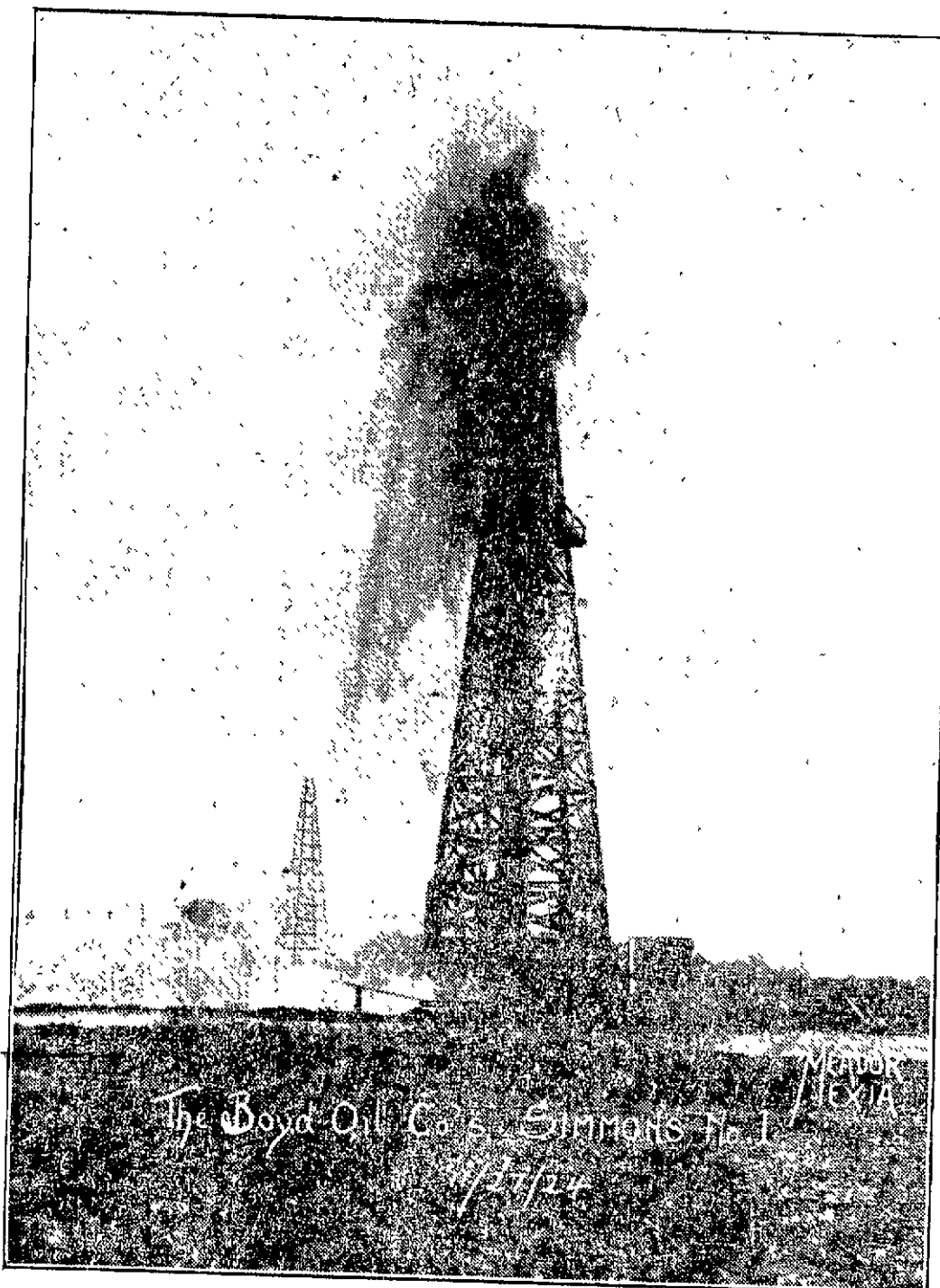
White Youths Are Burned To Death

(By United Press)
HOUSTON, Tex., Nov. 29.—Two unidentified white youths burned to death in the little sheet iron lined jail at Katy, near here last night, were being held in a local morgue here for identification today. Arrested by Deputy Sheriff W. J. Alderson as they dropped from an M. K. & T. freight train Friday night, the two boys were lodged in the small frame building. Both refused to give their names. Persons living near the jail, located on the outskirts of town, heard the screams of the youths as they perished in the iron enclosure and though nothing of it until flames broke through the roof of the structure. When the door was forced open both boys were found dead lying face down on the floor of the cell. A layer of shavings and excelsior several inches thick covered the floor of the cell. It is believed this became ignited and the youths awakened too late to extinguish the flames. There were no marks of identification in the clothing of the two victims. Harris county officers were conducting an investigation today.

NEW OIL FIELD MAY BE FOUND EAST OF CURRIE IN FREESTONE

Dearing and Son are reported to be drilling a wildcat east of Currie about two miles. The test is understood to have struck eight feet of sand at 726 feet, but water broke in and drilling was continued. The eight feet was said to have been prolific and would have proved commercially profitable. It is reported to be logging about the same as the Currie pool producers, with the exception that everything is higher.

Freestone County's First Oil Producer



First wildcat ever offset before in; first wildcat to which Transcontinental pipe line connections were laid before a barrel of oil was sighted; first wildcat whose production was on route to market within a few minutes after coming in,—coming in Turkey Day gushing at the rate of 12,000 barrels daily.

BAPTIST YOUNG PEOPLE MEET IN WACO IN 1925 MEET

(By United Press)
FORT WORTH, Nov. 29.—Waco will be host to the 1925 convention of the Texas Baptist Young People's Union. The annual assembly closed here last night after electing Robert J. Jolly, Houston, President, and selecting Waco for the next convocation. Other officers elected were: Olivia Smith, Corsicana, corresponding secretary; J. F. Barnett, Palacios, treasurer; John Wolf, Palacios, business manager; Vice presidents, Rev. W. A. Knight, Laredo; W. P. Clements, Plainview; Mrs. Forest Tovey, Sherman; Louis Dunn, Houston; Rev. Byron Smith, Palestine; Rev. W. C. Moffett, Georgetown.

STATE TEACHERS ASSN. ELECT NEW OFFICERS

(By United Press)
SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Nov. 29. Lee Clark, superintendent of schools at Gainesville, was elected president of the State Teachers Association. E. K. Barded of Livingston, first vice president, Mary Nash of Kaufman, second and Steele Cole of Ft. Worth, third.

Harding-Hughes Plan In Danger

(By United Press)
WASHINGTON, Nov. 29.—The Harding-Hughes world court proposal is doomed unless republican senators are forced under pressure to change their minds, Senator Swanwick of the Foreign Relations Committee said. He said the democrats are awaiting the republican move.

BRITISH FORCES BOMBARDED REBELS

(By United Press)
CAIRO, Nov. 29.—British forces were forced to bombard the military hospital at Khartoum before the last of the Soudanese surrendered. Survivors surrendered after the building in which they took refuge and the hospital were bombarded by British field pieces. One hundred and thirty one shells ignited the hospital. Soudanese had held out 24 hours, fighting stubbornly.

KATE NORWOOD PRESIDENT

(By United Press)
SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Nov. 29.—Kate Norwood of Austin was elected president of the Grade Teachers Association.

A BIGGER AND BETTER MEXIA.

The new oil pool means a bigger Mexia because it will bring increased prosperity to the people, but does it mean a better Mexia? The answer to that question is found in the Churches of the city. Material prosperity with God left out is always a curse rather than a blessing. Go to Church and worship God. The greatest asset Mexia has is the Church.

Penn McCorkle 1 Looks Good Hits Oil Sand at 2903

The Penn McCorkle hit the first showing of oil at Woodbine depths at 2903 feet. This is the same depth at which the gas showing became so apparent in the Boyd Oil Company's Simmons 1, and where the casing has been set in both instances. The prospects have been so bright for several days, the log running true to form, that it is definitely agreed in the minds of most operators that the trend is Eastward. Deals of large proportions took place Saturday, when casing was ready to be set in the immediate vicinity of the well.

MASTER MIND IN BIG ROBBERY GIVEN 25 YEARS

(By United Press)
CHICAGO, Nov. 29.—William J. Fahy, "ace of postal inspectors," was sentenced 25 years, Atlanta prison. In the federal court he was charged with plotting the two million dollar robbery of the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul train at Rondout, Illinois. James Murray, Chicago politician, was given the same sentence. The pair was convicted by a jury on testimony of Fahy's associate inspectors. Other members of the gang will be sentenced Monday. They include Brent Glasscock of Chicago director of looting, Herbert Holiday of Kansas City, Joe Jesse, Willis and Wylie Newton of Dallas. Of the loot \$1,100,000 was recovered. The robbery occurred June 12.

Thirty Derricks Go Up In Two Days In New Oil District

Thirty derricks in two days. That's what's what that's happened around Wortham and around the Boyd Boyd 1, in the Mexia end of the field, since Thursday. There's 300 more derricks on paper, too, waiting for the lumber. With the completion of the Penn McCorkle 1, with only three wells in, will have been proven to extend for nearly four miles Northeast by Southwest, room for several hundred wells, as the fields around here generally run. Lumber is the only handicap now.

CONFESSED MURDERER GETS SUSPENDED SENTENCE

(By United Press)
SAN SABA, Texas, Nov. 29.—Mrs. Pearl Curry, alleged confessed slayer of her infant son, whose body was found in an ash pile in rear of a hotel here last August, was found guilty by a jury that recommended a three years suspended sentence.

PRESIDENT SEES BIG GAME

(By United Press)
BALTIMORE, Nov. 29.—President Coolidge and party arrived here to witness the army-navy football game.

Former Newspaper Man To Drill In Next Well In New Territory Looming as In New Oil Field

R. R. Penn McCorkle 1, just outside of the city limits of Wortham to the East, set casing today. Mr. Penn stated that everything had gone forward without any delay. It will be the next well drilled in within the new territory. Casing was set at around 2700 feet. The well hit the Austin Chalk at 2203 feet and left it at 2542, since which time leases have been active and drilling operations have been rushed in that part of the prospective pool. It is looked upon as certain, for production by many of the fraternity, who have been ready to place their money in leases and royalties near there, as a further expression of their confidence. Mr. Penn is an old newspaper man, having been with the Dallas News for years and has many friends over the states, who are hoping for him to get a gusher.

OFFICE OPENED WITH LOCKE IN C OF C. ROOMS

Judge H. E. Bell of the oil and gas division of the Texas Railroad Commission returned to Mexia Saturday from Austin, after having spent the past three days in the commission's offices in the Capitol City. He established headquarters in the office with John R. Locke, permanent representative of the division in the Mexia, Wortham, Currie, Richland and Powell oil fields, which office is located in the Chamber of Commerce rooms in the City Hall. Mr. Bell spent a few days here the early part of the week, going over the problems met with in the new Mexia Wortham territory, spending much time at Wortham. He is in the field to give all possible cooperation to the citizens and the oil fraternity in the matter of locations involved by exceptions sought to rule 37. He will be in the field and office both.

They are anxious to render the service now needed and so Judge Bell has come direct to the district, where he may be interviewed with little loss of time and at the instant a problem comes up.

The Chamber of Commerce rooms are on the second floor of the City Hall, southwest corner of Main and McKinney streets. The phone number is 81.

GEN. PERSHING WANTS BIGGER AIR SERVICE

(By United Press)
WASHINGTON, Nov. 29.—An enlarged air service is a vital need of the army, General Pershing declared in his final report as chief of staff, to the secretary of war. Pershing proposed to increase the regular army to 150,000. He said the infantry is still the backbone of attack, and that other branches of the service should be subsidiary.

Forbes Trial Is Now On

(By United Press)
CHICAGO, Nov. 29.—The first government witnesses against Charles R. Forbes, Veterans Bureau chief, and John W. Thompson, St. Louis contractor, indicted for defrauding the government in the construction of veterans hospitals, were called in the federal court today. Forbes attorneys said they would prove the defendants innocent victims.

Dallas Thieves Take Anything

(By United Press)
DALLAS, Nov. 29.—"I'll take all the pictures wanted and ask no question," was the offer of G. A. McAfee, Dallas Journal Staff Photographer, in a newspaper notice following the disappearance of his camera, plates and other photo equipment valued at \$500.

THE WEATHER.

Texas—Generally fair and warm.

Bexar Archives At University Attract Many

AUSTIN, Texas, Nov. 20.—Many visitors as well as regular students of the University of Texas regularly inspect the Bexar Archives in the University Library. These archives, a collection of documents in manuscript, belonged to the Texas Republic. The Mexican-Texas capital was located at San Antonio, and as the American-Texas capital was never located there, the archives passed into the possession of Bexar County. They became the property of the University of Texas in 1900.

When the documents were given to the University they were arranged, and catalogued and many were indexed or copied. In cataloging them it was found that some records had been lost from the files in the course of time. The University took up the work of filling in these blanks. Quite a number of documents relating to land titles and church records were kept in San Antonio. These were also catalogued and the most important ones of them from a historical point of view were copied.

From the Nacogdoches archives at the State Library a number of reports were catalogued in the University files. Others have been gathered from the archives of Mexico and Spain, so that the collection is now practically complete. It is easy for a student to find any document pertaining to Texas history. If the original is not there, the subject of it is there in good form.

This collection has the history of Texas up until 1845 and is therefore very valuable from the standpoint of historical record. Until 1898 the Archives of Bexar had not been given any special notice by the State. At that time Lester G. Bugbee wrote a description of the documents and had it published in one of the San Antonio papers.

In addition to the Bexar Archives, consisting mainly of original manuscripts collected at San Antonio between 1730 and 1835 and dealing with every phase of Spanish and Mexican Texas, the University has other material of special interest to Texas. There are some 60,000 transcripts from the archives of Mexico and Spain; the Austin papers, comprising the correspondence of Moses and Stephen F. Austin; the Anthony Butler papers; the Ashbel Smith papers; the O. M. Roberts papers; the Maverick papers; the Throckmorton papers; the Stout papers; and the Ben C. Franklin papers.

To Hunt Wild Game In United States

(By United Press)

(CHICAGO, Nov. 20.—Incorporation papers filed by the Pacific Coast Sportsmen's Club at Cincinnati insure the establishment of a unique hunting preserve in California, according to an announcement here by the chairman of the board of directors.

The most interesting feature of the club will be a 20,000 acre park of wild land enclosed with a safety fence of iron wire and stocked with African lions, Bengal tigers and other carnivorous varieties of dangerous big game.

Purchase of 50,000 acres within a few hours' motor drive of Los Angeles is being completed. The club holds options on this land and these will be closed as quickly as possible. Membership will be limited to 1,000. Plans will be worked out rapidly and there seems now little doubt that the club will open its doors next September.

A club house costing \$250,000 with groups of cottages will be erected and the club will be equipped for golf, polo, tennis, archery, swimming, fishing, and shooting. The game will include ducks, geese, pheasants, wild turkeys, deer, elk, buffalo, bears, lions, tigers, leopards and American mountain lions.

CENTRALIZATION.

(By United Press)

WASHINGTON, Nov. 24.—Government hospitalization activities have been centralized by Executive order under the Federal Board of Hospitalization. The cooperative combination includes the hitherto separate work of the Medical Department of the Army, the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery of the Navy, the Public Health Service, St. Elizabeth's Hospital, the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, the office of the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, and U. S. Veterans' Bureau.

The various Missionary Societies of these organizations to feel free regular meetings on Monday afternoon. The ladies who have recently moved here are issued a cordial invitation by the President of all of these organizations to feel free to come to every meeting and they are assured a cordial welcome.

Judge J. A. Elkins is suffering from what he thinks is a slight attack of ptomaine poison and has been confined to his bed in the home of R. A. Shepherd.

DISTRICT COURT DOCKET

Third Assignment—Monday; Second Week, December 8th

4392 L. L. Steele vs. Massachusetts Bonding Co. (Jury).

3237 Colyer Hearn vs. M. V. Hill.

3296 Geo. E. Smith vs. National Supply Co. of Texas.

3312 Earl Halliburton vs. Jackson-Wofford & Richardson.

3332 F. M. Cundieff vs. Will Sanders.

3341 Haesh Shoe Company vs. W. R. Sherrod.

3314 J. B. Wofford vs. J. B. Harris Trustee, et al.

3392 U. S. Tex Oil Corp. vs. Cal. Tex Oil Co., et al.

3396 J. R. Neece Lumber Co. vs. Lang & Company.

3400 Albert Pinkard vs. Joseph & Julius Nussbaum.

3401 J. S. Southerland vs. Wilcox Oil & Gas Co.

3404 M. L. Moore vs. Western Producing & Drilling Co.

3405 O. F. Pitts et ux vs. S. O. Apple.

3407 Mrs. Isabella McKenzie vs. Miss Jim Sadler.

3413 Southern Steel Co. vs. Lee C. Brown et al.

3421 Arthur Collins vs. Jos. Danciger and Ist Nat'l Bank of Kosse.

3433 J. R. Neece Lumber Co. vs. Francis State Bank of Mexio, Garishee.

3472 J. W. Pyburn vs. H. R. Dyer.

3507 J. M. Edwards vs. Adamson Oil & Gas Co.

3510 Bewley Mills vs. T. A. Phillips et al.

3515 F. E. Ginn vs. Globe Indem.

Police Department Ready to Meet The Needs Of The Day

Chief of Police Albert Mace is much pleased with the little lawlessness that has followed the rush of the week. His department is on the job, day and night, prepared to cope with any situation. Unlike the boom period of 1921, the Mexia police force is well organized, flexible, so as to add deputies anytime the emergency demands, and Mr. Mace is determined to give the law abiding citizenship the protection that the time demands.

He urges that every precaution be taken by citizens, so as not to encourage lawlessness.

About \$19,000,000 was contributed to Uncle Sam's income tax coffers by the entire state.

Mrs. Sam Cox, a former University of Texas student, was a spectator at the Texas and A. and M. Turkey Day game.

Miss Elsie Desenberg, president of the Texas Exes Association, in this city was a visitor to Austin Thursday.

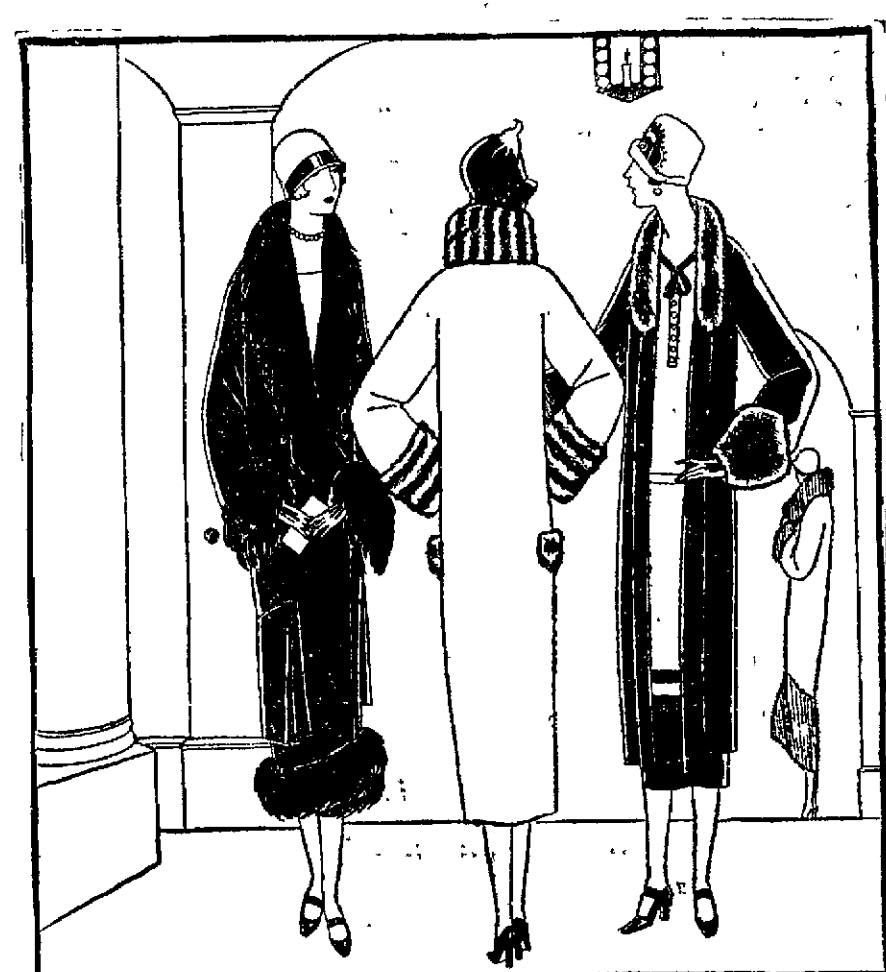
NOTICE TO MEN.

The Young Men's Class of the First Methodist church extends to every man in this city and community a cordial invitation to come and study today's lesson with them.

SAM McCORD, Pres.

W.A. JACKSON CO.

"THE STORE AHEAD"



Change In H. & T. C. Schedule

Effective December 1st, 1924. Steam Train.

Leave Mexia at 6:00 A. M.
Arrive Wortham 6:20 A. M.
Arrive Dallas 9:10 A. M.

Leave Dallas 5:00 P. M.
Arrive Mexia 7:55 P. M.

Effective December 1, 1924. Motor Car

Leave Mexia 6:00 P. M.
Arrive Ennis 7:50 P. M.

Leave Ennis 5:10 A. M.
Arrive Mexia 7:25 A. M.

The train No. 31 and 32, arriving in Mexia at 10:08 a. m. and leaving Mexia for Dallas at 12:50 p. m. has been discontinued.

WELCOME Oil Operators

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Corner Palestine and McKinney

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Beginning Monday and Lasting All the Week

All Ladie's COATS GO ON SALE

Values from \$14.95 to \$149.50

—Those who have not purchased their winter coats we extend an invitation to visit this sale beginning tomorrow morning—in which every coat in our house will go on sale at 33 1-3 per cent off the regular price.

The finest of soft suede finish fabrics were used together with the finest of pure silk linings. Many of them have luxurious fur collars and cuffs; some are trimmed at bottom with fur. Every coat is a very unusual value. Come early and get pick of our stock.



CHILDREN'S COATS GO ON SALE

Values from \$4.95 to \$24.50

—Mothers, have you purchased coats for your children? Tomorrow you will find every coat in our department on sale at one-third off. Every new material; every new style and every size is in our stock.

—Every coat will be on display our Balcony Floor tomorrow morning.

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THANKSGIVING IS OBSERVED WITH PROGRAM AT MEXIA HIGH

One of the best programs of the season was presented at the Mexia High School on Wednesday, November 20.

The occasion for the special program was the beginning of the Thanksgiving holidays, and those taking part were T. W. Archer, cornet soloists, accompanied by Mrs. Blake Smith, the High School Glee club under the direction of Mrs. E. M. Stranger; T. O. Lee, Vice-President of T. W. C. in Ft. Worth and A. Garland Adair of the Mexia Daily News.

The musical numbers were heartily enjoyed by the audience and reflected most favorably by the talent of the performers and their directors. Both Mr. Archer and the Glee Club responded to encores.

Mr. Lee spoke briefly, holding the attention of the hearers with his account of the development of education for girls and the importance of women in the world today. He mentioned Texas Woman's College and issued a general invitation to Mexia people to visit the institution.

The main speaker of the program was A. Garland Adair who was introduced by Principal Andrews as follows: "It gives me great pleasure to introduce next a man who has often been referred to as Mexia's Henry Grady, a man of courage, character and eloquence, Mr. Garland Adair."

He was received with enthusiasm by the students. Mr. Adair's address very ably combined the theme of Thanksgiving with that of Patriotism. Stating that our country and what it stands for should be the chief and best reason for any American's Thanksgiving, he further brought out the idea that every boy and girl owes his country a great deal. Each individual is a flag maker, stated Mr. Adair, and it is as true now as it ever was that "No man liveth unto himself nor dieth unto himself."

Close attention was given Mr. Adair during his address and he was applauded wildly at the informal conclusion in which he wished "the best of luck for the Black Cats in the game tomorrow."

GAS IS SEEN AS THE COMING UNIVERSAL FUEL

Advocates of fuel conservation look forward to the day when science will make it possible to burn little if any coal in its raw state to produce heat.

It is acknowledged that the use of fuel oil for heating will be limited, as the petroleum resources of the country diminish and the demand for more intensive refining of the crude product is increased. A well known writer on industrial subjects says that eventually, and perhaps sooner than we expect, those consumers of heat now using the oil will be compelled to turn to gas, and, he adds:

"Here alone is a future demand for more heat units than our entire gas industry now produces and sells for all purposes."

Dr. Billy Buckner came down from his dental studies at Dallas to eat Thanksgiving dinner with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Buckner.

Mexia Ladies Are Honored In Home Of Mrs. John Sweatt On Tuesday Afternoon With Many Paying Respects

At the home of Mrs. John Sweatt on Tuesday from 3 to 5 Mesdames Sweatt, Huchingson and Hickman entertained with a tea complimentary to Mesdames Allison, Stevens and Forrest who are leaving the city in the near future to make their home elsewhere.

The afternoon was a bright, crisp one of the autumn season and the entertaining suite of the Sweatt home was never lovelier than on this occasion. The entire lower floor was thrown together and with its shaded lights, exquisite flowers and always handsome furnishings was an ideal setting for the lovely group of ladies composing the house party. In the living and music rooms the colors yellow and white, predominated, with a lavish use of chrysanthemums. In the dining room pink carnations and yellow chrysanthemums vied in beauty for prominence and the sun parlor was fresh and bright with carnations and numerous ferns.

In the receiving line were the hostesses of the occasion with the honorees, all gowned in most handsome evening gowns. Two charming little girls Misses Elizabeth Stevens and Francis Elaine King held silver trays for the cards of the guests, the guests passing on to the dining room where tea was poured by Miss Elsie Desenberg.

and Mrs. Zeno King, at a beautifully assembled table. Served with the tea was a palatable plate of chicken and cheese sandwiches, salted almonds, pink and white mints and french pastry.

Passing on through the sun room the guests were entertained in the music room with a program that was an added delight of the afternoon. Readings, vocal solos, piano solos and piano and violin being most artistically rendered by such excellent performers as Misses Luella Francis Chatnam, Mary Edith Forrest, Anita Leabatter, Mesdames E. M. Stranger, Haston, Blake Smith, Needham and George Stabbs and Misses Anna McCloud and Bill Wright of Wortham. A constant stream of callers enjoyed this affair of social prominence, attesting the popularity of the honorees and hostesses. The house party of beautifully gowned ladies included: Mesdames J. K. Hughes, Joss Melton, Bishop of Hubbard City, Jack Womack, Banks of Temple, George Peyton, Gene Sinclair, Ben Howard, Roland Gardner, Duke Pittman, Roscoe Cook, Clay Freeman, Lennie Metcalf, Goolsby, Blake Smith, Ben Smith, Nelson Forrest, J. W. Elliott, Sam Cox, Marion Brown, E. L. Smith, Walter Boyd and Gray Forrest.

Presbyterians In Limestone County Interested in Church Wide Program For Sunday, December Fourteenth

Presbyterians in Limestone County are very much interested in a Church-Wide Program for Sunday, December 14th at which time a cash offering will be taken according to the plan of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in every Presbyterian Church in the South, for additional and improved equipment in the Home and Foreign Mission Fields.

The plan adopted this year is for each congregation to be asked to accept in connection with this Equipment Fund the following causes: Foreign Mission Fields—Missionary Dwelling House at Tokushima Japan Home Mission Fields—Mexican Church at Waco, Texas.

The churches in this county asked to participate in this program with their pastors are: 1st Church, Mexia, Rev. E. H. Hudson and Groesbeck Church, Groesbeck—Rev. W. S. Red.

The Equipment Fund is set up by the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States to cover a ten year period and the plan is to raise \$500,000 per year. Other Presbyterian Churches in the different Counties have also been requested to accept appropriate causes.

The Young Peoples' or Christian Endeavor Societies in all of the Presbyterian Churches are asked to accept as their own particular causes, For Foreign Missions, Girl's School, Kwangju, Korea; For Home Missions, Beechwood Seminary, Heidelberg, Ky.

The Presbyterians in this County have shown a co-operative spirit in the great programs set up by the General Assembly's Committees of the Presbyterian Church, and

their participation in this Equipment Fund, will doubtless be in keeping with their reputation along these lines.

MEXIA SCHOOLS WELL REPRESENTED AT MEET

The Mexia Public schools were well represented at the State Teachers Association meeting at San Antonio Thursday and Friday. Among those attending were Misses A. E. Whittaker, L. Greene, R. Wells and E. School, and Superintendent C. A. Puckett and Principal Roy M. Andrews of the High School.

Walter Jackson was a visitor from Corsicana Thanksgiving day.

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\$2,000,000 Fugitive Is Captured in Canada.



Leo Koretz, who disappeared from Chicago following swindling operations in a "Bayview River Syndicate" that netted him \$2,000,000, has been arrested in Halifax, and has waived extradition. Koretz fled a year ago, while a personally selected committee was journeying to Panama to inspect his "rich holdings" there. It is said he took \$2,000,000 in cash with him. He swindled every member of his own family, leaving his wife destitute.

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Mexia Odd Fellows Have Home Coming Of Much Interest

On the evening of November the 25th the Odd Fellows Lodge of Mexia celebrated their first homecoming. This event is looked forward to each year, as a way to draw the brothers who have been off in some distant city and could not attend regularly a chance to come and meet with the lodge on this occasion.

There were about 100 present and good talks were heard by several distinguished visitors among them Mr. J. L. Day of Groesbeck, W. P. Harris of Teague, W. E. Arledge of Montague and others. The honorary degree was conferred by the Lodge on several candidates. Quite a bit of amusement was pulled off and we believe the best yet was when Bro. H. A. Porter in his Jew makeup took the floor. That brother is an artist in this line. We have a very desirable meeting

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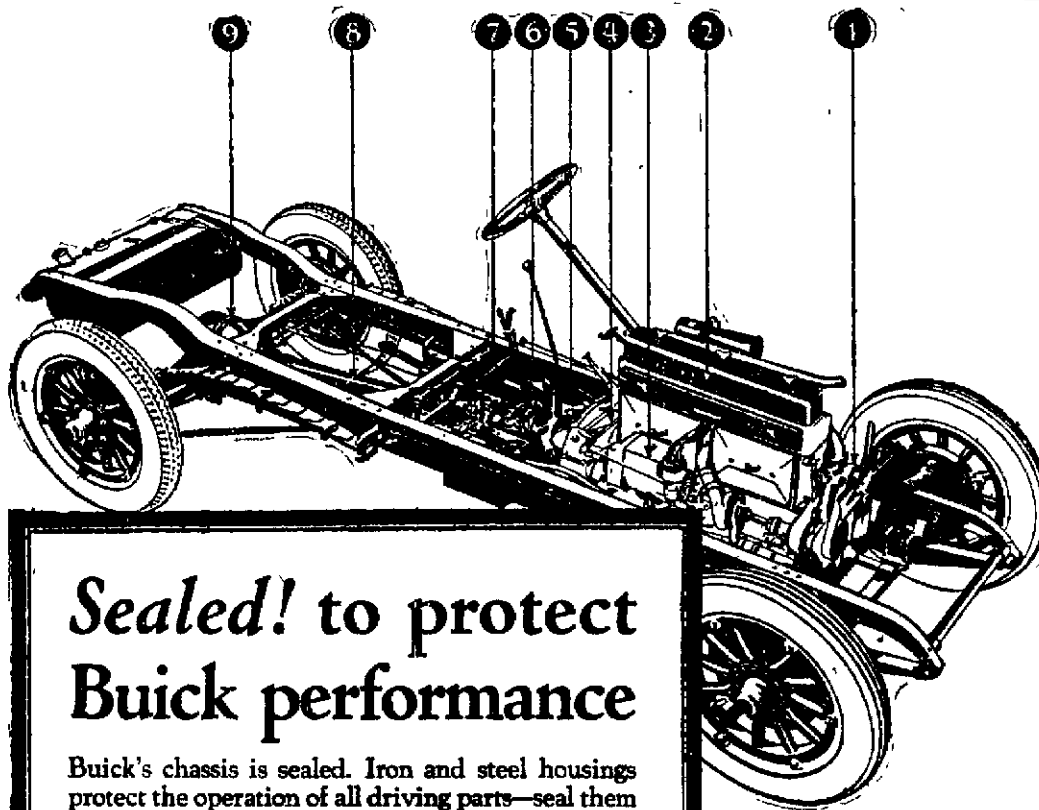
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place now in the 3rd floor of the E. L. Smith Bldg. also through the help of the brothers and outside friends. We have a lovely reading and reception room in the front of the hall room, lovely wicker furniture, chairs, library tables, etc.

Refreshments were served by the lodge and all the brothers that missed this meeting certainly missed

ed the time of the year. The encampment degree will be conferred in Mexia on the night of Dec. 10 all desiring to get in on this communicate with the secretary of the subordinate lodge.

Mr. Catfield, Staff Correspondent of The Waco News Tribune, spent Saturday in Mexia and Wortham.

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"For Mexia. I WILL"

THE NEWS' PROGRAM FOR 1924-25

(1) A government by law. (2) A bigger tin bucket brigade. (3) Conservation of gas and other natural resources, with a view of offering industries cheaper fuel rates. (4) Storage for an adequate reserve water supply in Mexia. (5) Adequate fire equipment to meet growing needs in a growing city. (6) More paved roads leading into Mexia and all down town streets repaired. (7) Lime mines developed at Tehuacana. (8) A downtown market for farmers. (9) Diversified farming. (10) A Limestone County Fair at Mexia. (11) A county farm agent and demonstrator. (12) Clubs for boys and girls of the county to encourage them in farm industries. (13) More goods roads and systematic maintenance. (14) 10,000 trees for Mexia. (15) A complete parking system in Mexia. (16) A great downtown auditorium. (17) Beautification of Hughes Park. (18) Protection of life on streets and roads, through the rigid enforcement of all ordinances and laws regulating traffic. (19) a growing "trade-at-Mexia" spirit and pride in its institutions. (20) A thoroughly united citizenship, free from jealousy, envy, strife and other dwarfing discordant influences that tear down and blight many a city in the making.

BEING PREPARED

Recent editorials calling attention to the opportunities for patriotic service in the ranks of the Officers' Reserve Corps, have been taken to heart by many citizens throughout the country. Men are needed who can render service, not only in direct military command, but in specialized professional ways. In a national emergency the imperative need is for officers—leaders who by training and experience are qualified to supply special service. The ranks may be filled by a draft, if necessary; officers and executives must be located, tested and placed to the best advantage. This takes time.

In the days of peace citizens may be prepared themselves, without any interference with their vocations or avocations, for service in the emergency, and it is the duty, as well as the patriotic privilege, of every citizen to be prepared.

There is a striking paragraph in a message sent to Congress by George Washington in 1796, wherein he said: "However pacific the general policy of a nation may be, it ought never to be without an adequate stock of military knowledge for emergencies. In proportion as the observance from the necessity of practicing the rules of the military art, ought to be its care in preserving and transmitting by proper establishments the knowledge of that art. A thorough examination of the subject will evince that the art of war is extensive and complicated; that it demands much previous study; and that the possession of it in its most important and perfect state is always of great moment to the security of a nation."

The men whom I have seen succeed best in life have always been cheerful and hopeful men, who went about their business with a smile on their faces, and took the changes and chances of this mortal life like men, facing rough and smooth alike as it came.—Charles Kingsley.

Mexia has a splendidly equipped fire department. Improvements are constantly being made whereby the insurance on homes and business houses is costing less from year to year.

Christmas in this section began the latter part of November, with the discovery of vast wealth near here and at Wortham. It is God's gift to this section.

There are some things men must do for themselves. For example, in organized communities they must build their roads. Vote for the Bonds December 16.

CENTRAL TEXAS PRESS
By N. P. Houx

WITHOUT COMMENT

With the cotton crop now about gathered, the corn in the barn, the turkeys sold and the hens refusing to lay, the busy farmer of this section has started the sulkey plows, in preparation for the crop of another year. So far all is well. The country is in fine financial condition, the people are in harmony with each other, which seems that we are approaching Thanksgiving with a light heart and a heart full of love for mankind.—West Weekly News.

We still retain the distinction of never having tried to solve a crossword puzzle. After passing several hours of each day trying to figure out what some of our correspondents intended to say, and untangling linotype mixups, these crossword puzzles hold no particular attraction for us.—Sam Miller in Mineral Wells Index.

Every line in a newspaper costs the proprietor something. If it is for the benefit of the individual it should be paid for. If the grocer were asked to contribute groceries to one abundantly able to pay for them, he would refuse. The proprietor of a newspaper must pay for the free advertising if the beneficiary does not, and it is one of the hardest things to be learned by many, that a newspaper has space in its columns to rent and must rent them to live. To give away rent for anything less than living rates is as fatal to a newspaper as for a landlord to furnish rent free.—Ex.

Buy everything you need from the home town business man. He will treat you right, and he is here to assist you should misfortune overtake you somewhere along the way. Buy at home—it helps everybody.—Franklin Texan.

If Jules Vern could rise from his

long sleep at this time and see our submarines work and travel under the sea, wouldn't he have all the fun of a duck-boat? He would be about on a par with Sir Bulwer-Lytton, who wrote "The Coming Race," if he could show up and watch our air planes cavort around in the sky for awhile. Verily, we fear the people are getting entirely too smart. They are now talking of trying to go to or talk to Mars. Better be putting in more time trying to go to Heaven when the call is made.—Thorn-ton Hustler.

When a business man argues and contends that mail order circulars are a more effective medium of advertising than the newspaper columns it gives us a tired, pained feeling, because we know the successful merchants of the country are newspaper advertisers, and say that the newspaper is the cheapest and most effective advertising medium. Every advertising agency says the newspaper is the most effective and economical method. Besides all this, the newspaper prints the store news and other news of the town; and the town is judged by its newspapers. The paper that carries local advertising is convincing to the public that the town is live and wide awake. The circular has its place, but it is expensive for the returns received and contributes nothing to a favorable publicity for a town. We know one town suffering from dry rot today, because some of its merchants depend upon the circular and neglect their newspapers, consequently the town does not receive the publicity it would receive through newspaper advertising.—Groesbeck Journal.

Many Novices In Karem's Parade On Last Tuesday

At the big Shrine ceremonial held in Waco Tuesday by Karem Temple, at which time Charlie Henderson of this city won the ring, a big class participated in the parade. The following is a list of the novices:

W. P. West, West; R. B. Johnson, Waco; L. E. Bradford, Mart; W. L. Dugger, Waco; G. E. McDaniel, Hillsboro; C. T. Kelly, Mexia; T. A. Griffith, Mexia; R. M. Tibbey, Corsicana; J. D. Cunningham, Jr., Corsicana; M. A. Spurgeon, Corsicana; Josh Wood, Waco; Victor Julian, Waco; C. S. Lullin, Waco; W. M. Reed, Waco; E. L. Keith, Corsicana; T. A. Craven, Waco; W. M. A. Romans, Jr., Waco; L. E. Fickling, Waco; B. J. Hightower, Waco; H. B. Peevey, Satin; L. D. Shear, Temple; J. F. Gamble, Mineral Wells.

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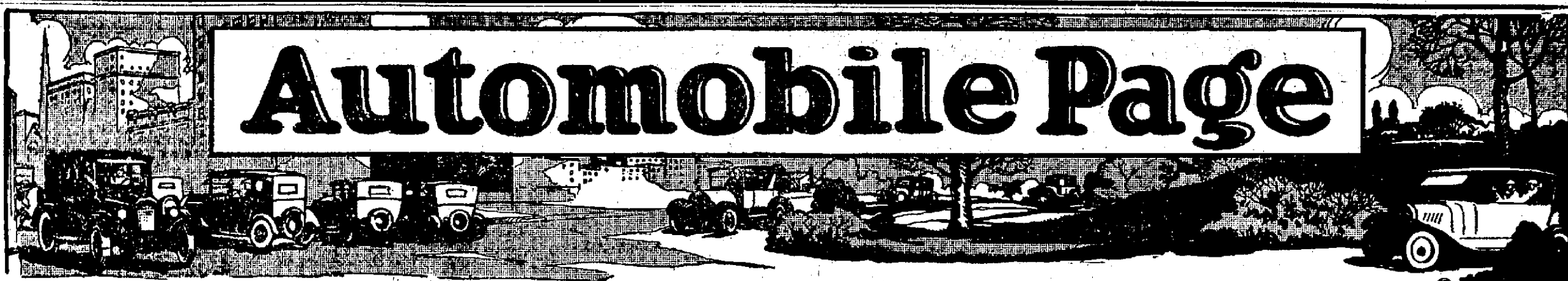
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Miss Consuelita Cagdel who is teaching in the Dallas public schools is spending the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cogdell of this city.

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Railroad Commission Continues Hearing Colonel Duff's Appeal To Build R. R. Line Which Proposes To Serve Mexia

WASHINGTON, Nov. 29.—The possibility of a conference between the Kansas City Southern and Col. R. C. Duff under the auspices of the interstate commerce commission looms as that body takes under consideration the application of Colonel Duff for permission to build his railroad into Port Arthur.

Last Minute Idea.

The question of a conference arose in the last 15 minutes of the hearing Tuesday and was precipitated by Commissioner Potter, who suggested that some way ought to be found for the Duff line to reach Port Arthur without the expense of another rail line from Port Arthur to Beaumont, a distance of 20 miles.

Commissioner Potter asked Colonel Duff if he believed he had exhausted every effort to come to an agreement with the Kansas City Southern. Duff said he believed he had and was positive that no agreement could be reached. Attorney Mucklin of the Kansas City Southern said his line would be willing to enter into conference.

Colonel Duff said that the only arrangements ever offered him by the Kansas City Southern was permission to run into Port Arthur on their lines but they refused permission to participate in local business there.

Suggests Terminal Line.

Commissioner Eastman then suggested that a terminal railroad from Beaumont to Port Arthur, handling the traffic of all railroads to that port might be the solution. Colonel Duff said that such a terminal with an official of each of the railroads sitting on its managing board and allocating the freight would be an ideal arrangement, but he was certain the Kansas City Southern would never agree to such a plan.

After the question of a conference and an agreement has been threshed over, Chairman Myer announced that the case would be closed

and that the parties thereto might soon be notified of a conference to reach an agreement.

May Be Up to I. C. C.

No one attending the hearing could be found who believed that any agreement could be reached by such a conference and the opinion was that the interstate commerce commission itself must settle the case on the straight cut question of public convenience and necessity.

Duff responding to a suggestion by Commissioner Potter's that the Duff line might get along on such an arrangement said:

"You cannot build a one-legged railroad and that is what it would amount to if I would agree for it to go into Port Arthur over the protestant's line. I would be refused permission to do business in the local district. Their facilities are inadequate and could not be used. I ask that I be given permission to build a railroad that would have all the functions of a railroad."

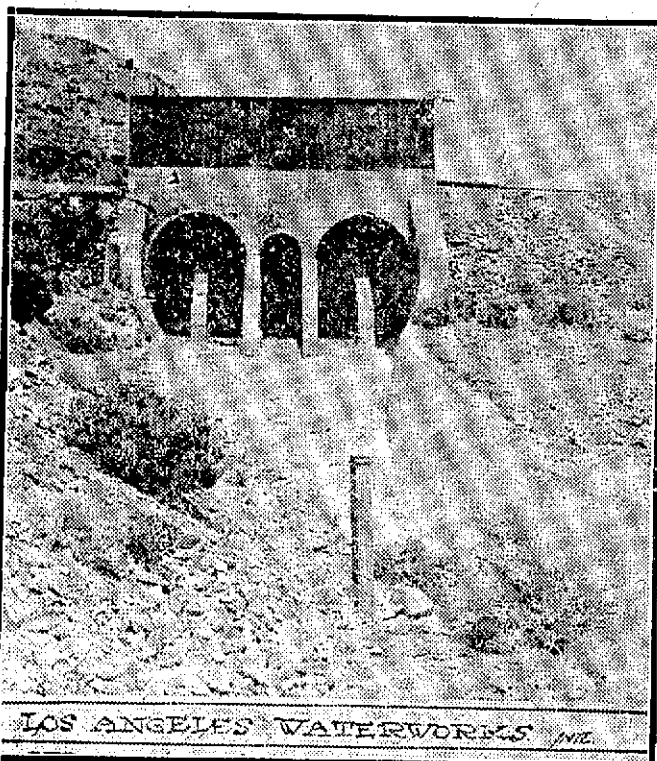
BOYD COMPANY HAS ITS LEASES SCATTERED AND LARGE ROYALTY HOLDINGS

The Boyd Oil Company has leases on the Boyd, Ferguson, Manning, Simmons and Edwards tracts and is daily adding to its royalty interests in the new field. The Ferguson and Manning are between the Boyd and Simmons. The Company is also ready to go down on its Boyd number 2, offset to the Boyd 1 on the Northeast.

AMERICAN LEGION SATISFIED FOR PRESENT

INDIANAPOLIS, Nov. 28.—The American Legion will make no effort during the coming congress to secure more liberal terms for ex-service men under the adjusted compensation law, John R. Drain, national commander, announced.

LOS ANGELES WATER RAID IS ENDED



Two hundred ranchmen from the Owens Valley in California have relinquished the headgates of the Los Angeles waterworks, located near Lone Pine, which they held for several days, opening the spill gates and leaving Los Angeles waterless. Last Spring, these same ranchmen blew up a section of the aqueduct. The trouble began when the waterworks diverted from their irrigation system in Owens Valley and ruined their farms. The city officials have agreed to furnish them the water they need. The waterworks cost the city \$22,000,000.

Influenza Prevails Throughout Texas

AUSTIN, Texas, Nov. 25.—Influenza is prevalent virtually throughout Texas, according to the report of Dr. Malone Duggan, State health officer, to the United States public health service Monday. Three hundred and sixty-six cases of influenza were reported to him by county and city authorities during the past five days.

There were 94 cases of typhoid fever, 90 of scarlet fever, 63 of

tuberculosis, 62 diphtheria cases and 60 cases of smallpox, 51 of chickenpox, 50 of dengue, 50 pneumonia, 35 pellagra and 49 of whooping cough.

KANSAS SENATOR TO BY FLOOR LEADER

WASHINGTON, Nov. 28.—Senator Charles E. Curtis of Kansas, was elected republican floor leader in the senate, succeeding the late Senator Lodge. Senator James Watson of Indiana was elected assistant leader. The selections were made at the regular caucus of the republican senators to decide on party organizations in the senate.

Between Fort Worth and Dallas

(By United Press)

DALLAS, Nov. 29.—Mayor Louis Blaylock came very near getting in bad with the residents of Oak Cliff, outlying suburb of Dallas, when he made two allusions to Oak Cliff as a part of Ft. Worth.

"My good people of Fort Worth" the mayor said upon two occasions speaking before Oak Cliff club meetings. When the errors were brought to his attention, the mayor said: "I got lost as soon as I cross the Trinity river."

The outlying section of Oak Cliff is nearly as close to the Fort Worth corporate limits as it is to the business center of Dallas.

Trade at Home. For Mexia I Will.

MUST HAVE BEEN IN A BIG HURRY

CLEBURNE, Nov. 29.—J. O. Lockett now pounds out his law briefs on what is believed to be the first air-going typewriter.

Lockett ordered the machine from a Ft. Worth business house and delivery was delayed. In order to hurry up the mill, the company dispatched the machine to Lockett via airplane.

ROXANA AND DUTCH SHELL WORKING EAST OF FIELD

Attention is being called to that part of Freestone County East of Wortham. The chief reason for the

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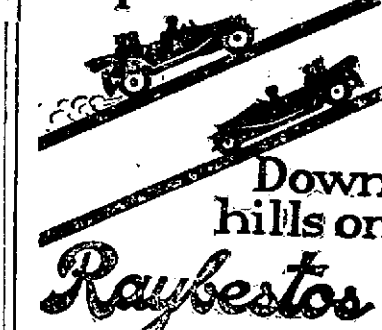
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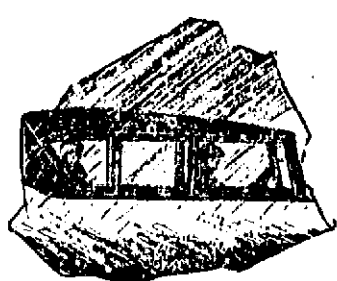
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Make this a practical Christmas —with these magic keys to happiness

TIME slips by with startling rapidity. But a few short weeks ago you were looking forward to Thanksgiving. Now it's gone!

Christmas will be here before you realize it. So don't delay. Decide now to place your order for a Studebaker Special Six Sedan.

Make this the most practical Christmas of all—with a useful gift that will bring years of joy.

Present your family with these magic keys to happiness on Christmas morning—the keys to a Studebaker Special Six Sedan.

Here is a car your family will be proud to own—a car that looks and rides luxuriously.

A car of imposing beauty—richly finished and fitted—with genuine mohair upholstery and appointments of the very finest quality.

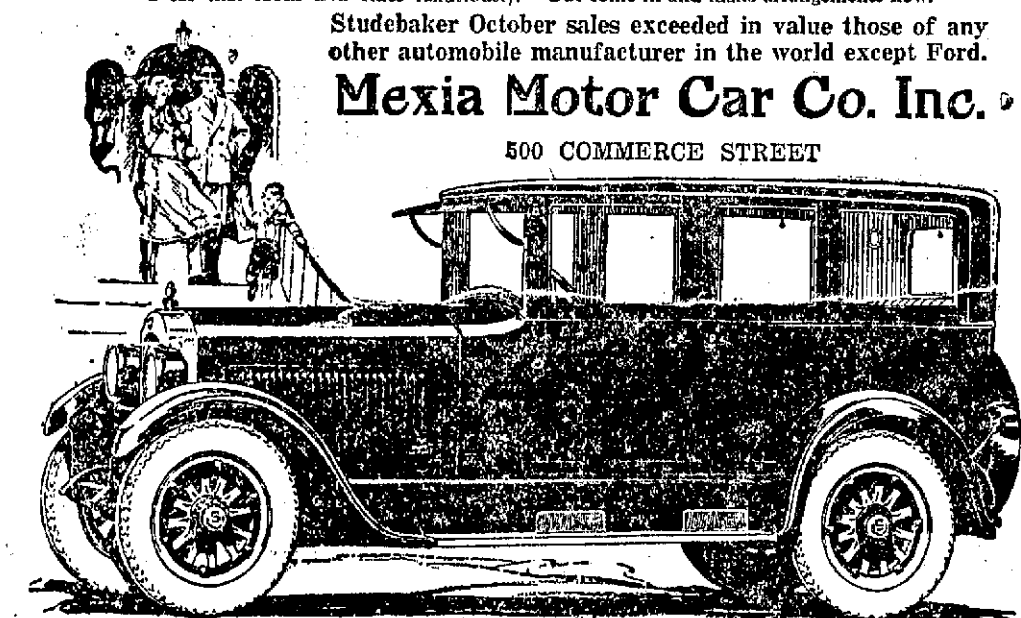
Its smooth, quiet, vibrationless performance is a delight to even the most seasoned motorist. The gears shift so easily—the clutch operates so smoothly—the brakes are so sure and positive—you are hardly aware of any effort in operation.

Make this Christmas one that will be remembered. Put the keys to a Studebaker Special Six Sedan on your tree. We will gladly have the car delivered to your door on Christmas morning. But come in and make arrangements now.

Studebaker October sales exceeded in value those of any other automobile manufacturer in the world except Ford.

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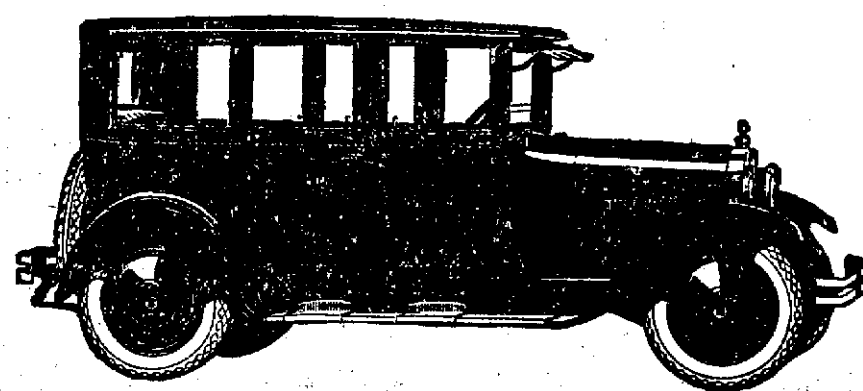
They have achieved an effect of pleasing smartness, while conforming strictly to the dictates of conservative good taste.

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Five Balloon-Type Tires

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Gus Wroe Says Will Have An Inaugural Ball

(By United Press)
AUSTIN, Texas, Nov. 25.—"Original plans for an inaugural ball and reception to be held at the State Capitol in honor of Mrs. Ferguson, the next governor of Texas, will be carried out in full unless we are enjoined or the militia is called out to stop us," said H. A. Wroe, prominent Austin banker, University regent and Mrs. Ferguson's campaign manager in Travis county. He said no attention would be paid the protest against the ball made by the General Baptist convention.

Costly steel engraved invitations and dance programs have been prepared and the invitations will soon be sent out.

The invitations refer to Mrs. Ferguson as "Her Excellency." This is the first time in Texas' history that such a term has been used in an invitation.

Following long established custom the ball is to be given in the Hall of the House and the reception in the Senate Chamber.

MRS. B. B. SIMMONDS
ENTERTAINS SATURDAY

On Saturday afternoon Mrs. B. B. Simmonds was hostess to many of her friends, with a bridge and "12" party, honoring Mrs. W. S. Bonds of Temple. Other house guests were Mr. J. M. Simmonds and Mrs. Era Cheeves of Temple, Mrs. M. H. Simmonds and Mrs. R. L. Crenshaw of Oenaville.

A color scheme of yellow and white was carried out in the decorations. Bowls of yellow chrysanthemums lent their charm throughout the living room suite.

The guest prize was a buckard china vase, while Japanese vases were given each of the house guests. Mrs. J. K. Hughes and Mrs. John Nece won the high score prizes. Japanese tea pots, table favors were yellow baskets of candles.

A delightful salad course and molded ice cream turkeys with angel food cake was served.

Keep on telling 'em and you will keep on selling 'em. News advertising brings desired results.

Egyptian Cabinet Out, Following Murder.



KING FUAD.

King Fuad, of Egypt, has accepted the resignation of the cabinet of Zaghlovi Pasha, following the presentation of Great Britain's demands after the murder in Cairo of Sir Lee Stack, Sirdar of the Egyptian army.

GUSHER PARALYZES PEN READY TO SIGN CONTRACT

One man was complaining today because of a deal which was frustrated Thursday by the Simmons 1 gusher coming in just when it did. He had a man with whom he was fighting for a lease out in his back yard at Wortham where he could not see the Simmons derrick and had just about talked the man into a deal. While preparing to put his John Henry on the dotted lines, wildcat whistles got a going in Wortham, many of the ladies living in the neighborhood rushed out into their yards and it was all off. The deal was not a success. The Gusher had ruined the transaction for party of the second part.

Trade at Home. For Mexia I Will.

Cunningham's Hat and
Tailor Shop. Phone 602.

Mrs. Hughes Spuds In For First Well

Mrs. J. K. Hughes Thursday spudded in her first oil well. She is the first woman to enter the oil game in this part of the State and has personally attended to all business in connection with the transaction. She selected her own lease, made her first location and also two others, all three of which will be on their way down within a few days. The ten acres she owns is out of the Simmons block, East of the Boyd Simmons 16 acres on which number 1 came in Turkey day. It is between the Boyd Simmons and the H & T. C. railroad which is thought to cut into the trend and follow it for more than a mile.

JITNEY SERVICE STARTS FROM MEXIA TO WORTHAM

Regular scheduled jitney service between Mexia and Wortham started Friday morning, when Knox and Riddle opened the first line. Cabs leave both places promptly on the hour. The Mexia station is at the Anderson Horn Drug Store. The rate charged is fifty cents the trip. With thousands passing between the two places daily and through the new oil field, such a service is welcomed heartily.

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Phone 312
Ben B. Hunt
ATTORNEY
Over Mexia Drug Store
Mexia, Texas

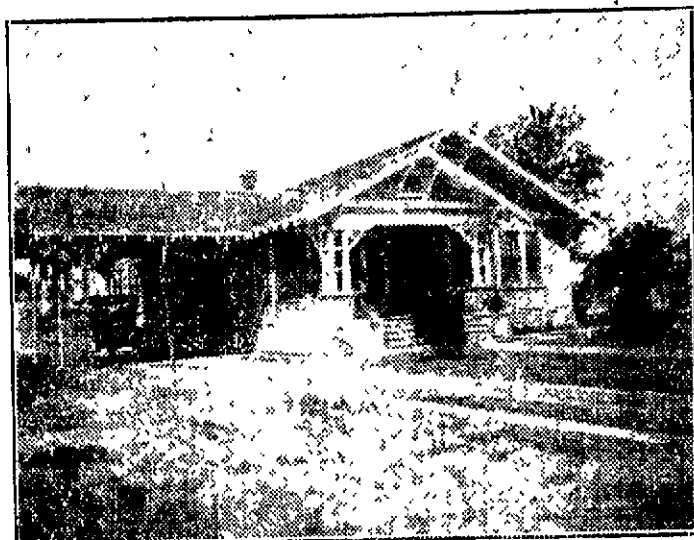
Unfrocked Preacher On Stand For Self

(By United Press)
NOWATA, Okla., Nov. 28.—Joseph E. Yeats, unfrocked minister, on trial on a charge of kidnaping Georgia Fields, 14 year old school girl, took the stand to testify in his own defense. He contended that he eloped with Georgia to rescue her from alleged attacks of her father. He expected to repudiate testimony that Georgia was unaware of the contents of letters sent the father by Yeats which Yeats advised the father.

or that Georgia told him of the attack. Head the advertisements in this paper. They contain messages of interest to everyone.

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No candidate will be given any special privilege over other candidates. The campaign is put on for the purpose of raising our circulation, therefore subscriptions is what the management wants, and in order to secure a large number, we are putting on this campaign, giving absolutely free to the candidate securing the largest number of subscriptions and votes, this beautiful \$1295.00 Studebaker Standard Six Five-Passenger Duplex Phaeton, as herewith shown in this advertisement.

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Make the start today! Get busy! Time does not wait! Win this car!

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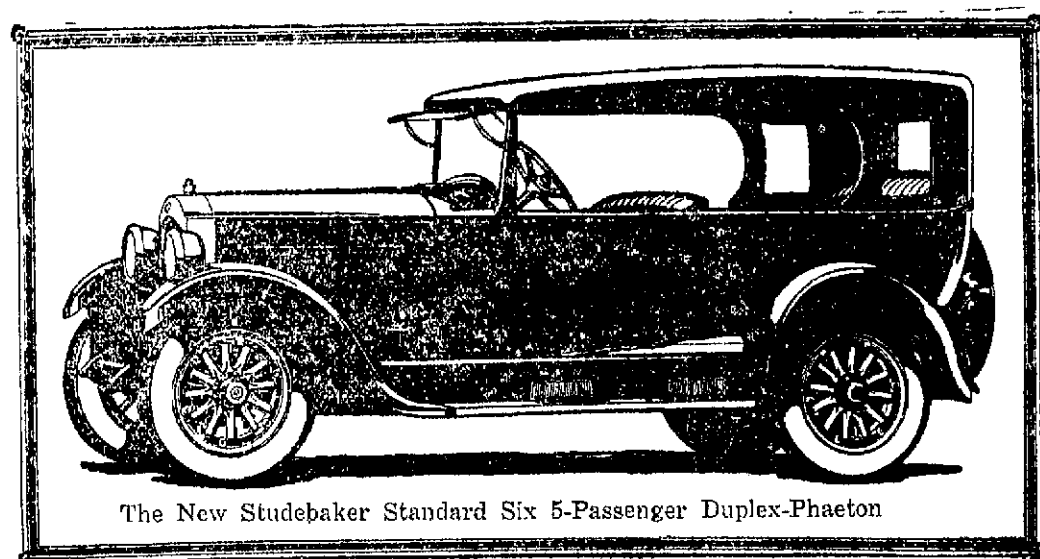
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We must insist that you come to the salesroom of the Mexia Motor Car Co., Inc., 500 East Commerce St., and see this beautiful car, then start right out in the campaign with the determination to win.

There are no red tape, strings, "ifs" nor "ands" attached to this offer. The car is positively and absolutely given free as a bonus or prize, in accordance with the rules and regulations of this campaign.

The candidate who receive the greatest number of votes at the expiration of this campaign will be given this beautiful Studebaker car absolutely free without one iota of red tape attached.

This is one of the most generous offers ever made by any publisher anywhere, and it is made for the sole purpose of building a large circulation to the Marie Lynn Magazine, published at Teague, Texas, and every man, woman and child with a reputable reputation living in Freestone, Limestone, and Navarro counties and their border lines is free to enter this subscription campaign. You are paid a 25 per cent commission on each subscription taken, and the commission is paid to you at the time each remittance is made to the publisher. Remittance to be made three times each week—Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, either in person or by mail.

Read every word of this advertisement, then fill out the nomination coupon and bring or mail today to the circulation manager, who will be stationed at Mexia for the convenience of all candidates.

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RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Any reputable man, woman or child residing in Freestone, Limestone or Navarro county may enter this campaign at any time during the campaign period.

2. No relative or employee or anyone directly connected with The Marie Lynn Magazine will be allowed to enter this campaign. The publisher reserves the right to reject any nomination.

3. Candidates may work anywhere in Freestone, Limestone or Navarro county and their border lines to secure subscriptions and votes.

4. Candidates will be responsible for all money collected for subscriptions and must report three times per week—Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays—either in person or by mail, remitting all money due the publisher each time.

5. Votes cannot be purchased by any candidate nor through any friends of the candidates. Every vote secured must be accompanied by a paid subscription.

6. Votes are not transferable from one candidate to another. No candidate will be allowed to withdraw in favor of another. Neither will it be permissible to give or transfer subscriptions to another candidate. Votes on such transferred subscriptions will be rejected.

7. No candidate will be allowed to form a combine or pool their subscription together. Any candidate or candidates entering into such an agreement or arrangement will be disqualified and all votes cancelled. This must be strictly adhered to by all candidates.

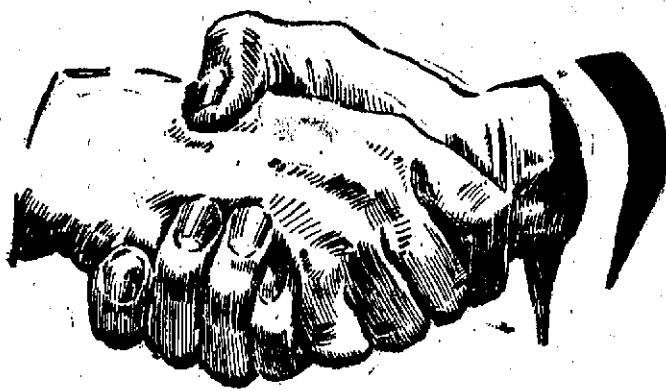
8. No statement or promise made by any solicitor, agent or candidate bearing from the rules published thru the columns of The Marie Lynn Magazine will be recognized by the publisher.

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10. Each candidate will receive 10,000 votes on each one-year subscription, 25,000 votes on a two-year's subscription, 50,000 votes on a three-year's subscription and 100,000 votes on a six-year's subscription at the expiration of the campaign. The candidate securing the largest number of votes will be given the Studebaker car, as described, absolutely free, as a bonus or prize for his or her services.

11. The campaign starts Tuesday, November 25, and continues 150 days.

Corsicana Joins Mexia



In Congratulating The City of Wortham

On It's New Big Gusher Oil Field

And extends to the New Oil Field and its Operators its hearty co-operation in the building up and development of the entire community in and surrounding the new oil field.

With its many years of experience in oil development, Corsicana can be of great assistance to the new oil field, and is ready and willing to lend a helping hand.

Ready To Serve The Oil Fraternity.

If for any reason, members of the oil fraternity cannot find what they want in Wortham and the new oil field, Corsicana extends the glad hand of welcome, feeling sure that one of the fastest growing cities in Texas can supply the demands to the fullest satisfaction of all concerned.

With a progressive citizenship and a live city and all modern conveniences, Corsicana offers an ideal place in which to live. Having miles of paved streets, with new paving being put down, and many new additions being added in various sections of the city, abundant supply of pure, fresh drinking water for all purposes, sanitary conditions guarded by special sanitary officer, makes this city a clean and healthy place in which to live.

Also, with the completion of a beautiful and well equipped high school together with three new ward schools, added to our present school system, makes Corsicana an educational center of the first class. Then too, the beautiful new five story fire proof hotel is rapidly nearing completion which together with the many other hotels, will take care of the oil field overflow.

In addition to many new business houses being completed, any many more to follow including the contract for a modern eight-story office building, this city can take care of the business interests in any demand made upon it along most any line.

With modern show houses, clubs, and other places of amusement, the visitor is offered a good range of entertainment, all of which makes Corsicana an amusement center of much importance.

There are many other good things that can be said about Corsicana that space will not permit and last but not least a warm welcome awaits all by the many substantial Churches. Corsicana can well be called a good city in which to live and it is comprised of a citizenship that cannot be surpassed anywhere.

For the convenience of the Oil Fraternity, Corsicana is now co-operating with the H&TC Railroad in the perfection of a train service that will give oil men the greatest conveniences possible.

Always remember, Corsicana extends a hearty welcome to the oil fraternity and stands ready to serve them in any manner possible.

Corsicana Chamber of Commerce

—AND—

Corsicana Advertising Club

New Income Tax Regulations Now In Leaflet Form

The new income tax regulations in pamphlet form are now available at the office of the collector of internal revenue in the federal building at Waco. There are a number of changes from last year's regulations. The exemption provisions in particular are more liberal, and the status of married men, originally determined by whether or not a tax payer was married or single on the last day of the year, is now determined in actual proportion to the time he is married and the time he is single. In other words, a man who marries on the first of December gets one-twelfth of the marriage exemption, whereas previously he got the exemption for the full year.

Conversely, a man whose wife dies on the first of December forfeits only one-twelfth of the exemption, instead of the entire amount, as formerly. These and other changes are fully explained in the Regulations 65, the pamphlet which can now be obtained by application at the office of the collector.

THE COLONEL'S DONE IT AGAIN.

By BEN R. HUNT.

Why all this great excited crowd In every part of town? Why all this joy and laughter loud Without a single frown? Why all these men in khaki clothes, As busy as can be, With maps stuck up beneath their noses To see what they can see?

What's that you say! Who struck the pay? Who was it turned the trick? Don't look at me that wild-eyed way But tell me, tell me quick, You don't say so. Well I'll declare, Hurray! Hurray! Hurray! The Colonel said the oil was there And now he's struck the pay.

So that's the cause of all this noise And all this din and talk— The Colonel's found great reservoirs Far down below the chalk. With faith and vision most profound, Sublime as that of Noah, From unseen depths beneath the ground, He's made the gushers roar.

His vision pierced the rock-bound crust, Three thousand feet or more; Said he, "I'll get that oil or bust, As I have done before." And then he waved a magic wand And waved it to and fro Till seething oil sands answered back Three thousand feet below.

Four years ago he waved his spell, (Mexico then was blest), By bringing in a wildcat well Which was a welcome guest; And now that feat he duplicates— In fact, he makes it twice; And while I watch those roaring cuts, Mexico shouts and grins.

Legion Seeks \$5,000,000 Fund for Orphans.



GEN. J. A. DRAIN

Brigadier-General J. A. Drain, of the American Legion, recently conferred with President Coolidge on the proposed \$5,000,000 endowment fund the Legion will raise to care for children orphaned by the World War. General Drain is chairman of the movement, and President Coolidge is honorary vice chairman.

FUNERAL OF FURNACE VICTIM.



SHEATSEY FUNERAL & CLARENCE SHEATSEY (in circle)

The police of Columbus, Ohio, do not seem any nearer a solution of the mysterious death of Mrs. C. V. Sheatsley, wife of the pastor of the Christ Lutheran Church, in the suburb of Beasley, who was burned to death in the furnace of the parsonage. Her funeral was held in Paris, Ohio. Directly behind the casket are the Rev. C. V. Sheatsley, with his daughter, Alice; Mrs. Lydia Spenseler, mother of Mrs. Sheatsley; Mrs. Marie Sheatsley, mother of the preacher, and in the rear, wearing caps, the sons of the dead woman. The authorities have questioned the son, Clarence, who, after seeing his mother burning in the furnace, turned away and took a nap.

Blood Transfusion Keeps You Young, Says Paris Doctor

(By International News Service.)

PARIS, Nov. 25.—"If youth will, old age can," said the famous Dr. Jaworski, exposing his theory of rejuvenation before a large Paris audience.

Growing old will become a pleasure if one can carry out his ideas. Dr. Jaworski's idea is not so much a question of making a young body out of an old one as it is to keep the body young from the beginning. He does not favor the monkey theory. Men he says, are much more capable of rendering

service to each other than the little animal brought into much prominence by the famous Vorehoff. By blood transfusion he promises youth and vigor to the octogenarian and in the name of "blood marriage" carried to the highest degree of the institution, he asks the youth of the country to offer their blood—oh, only a few drops, of course.

"I have transformed a mare into a horse and a nanny-go into a kid. Blood transfusion did it."

CORSICANA TO HAVE EIGHT STORY BUILDING

(By United Press.)

CORSICANA, Nov. 29.—Contracts for the erection of an eight-story office building, to be erected at an estimated cost of \$500,000, has been let here by the State National

Bank of Corsicana.

Work on the foundation will get underway in a short time, it was stated. The Walker Construction Company of San Antonio are the general contractors.

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Republicans Spank Four of Their Progressive Colleagues

(By United Press)

WASHINGTON, Nov. 28.—Senate republicans voted in caucus to punish Senators La Follette, Brookhart, Ladd and Frazier for errant republicans. After electing Senator Curtis as floor leader passed resolution to bar the four progressive senators from future caucuses and to not consider their names in filling committee vacancies. The action is considered little short of ousting the four from the republican party.

Mrs. Harding's Will Filed For Probate

(By United Press)

MARION, Ohio, Nov. 28.—The will of the late Florence Kling Harding was filed for probate. Cash bequests of \$50,000 were distributed to relatives and close friends. The complete estimated estate value was not available.

Several Counties Seek State Aid

AUSTIN, Texas, Nov. 28.—Five counties Monday submitted applications for state aid before the highway commission, and three for designations on roads. John H. Bickett, Sr., just appointed on the commission by Governor Neff, attended his first meeting Monday. Counties asking aid are Taylor, Travis, Hardeman, Cameron and Jasper. Designations were asked by Walker and Willam counties.

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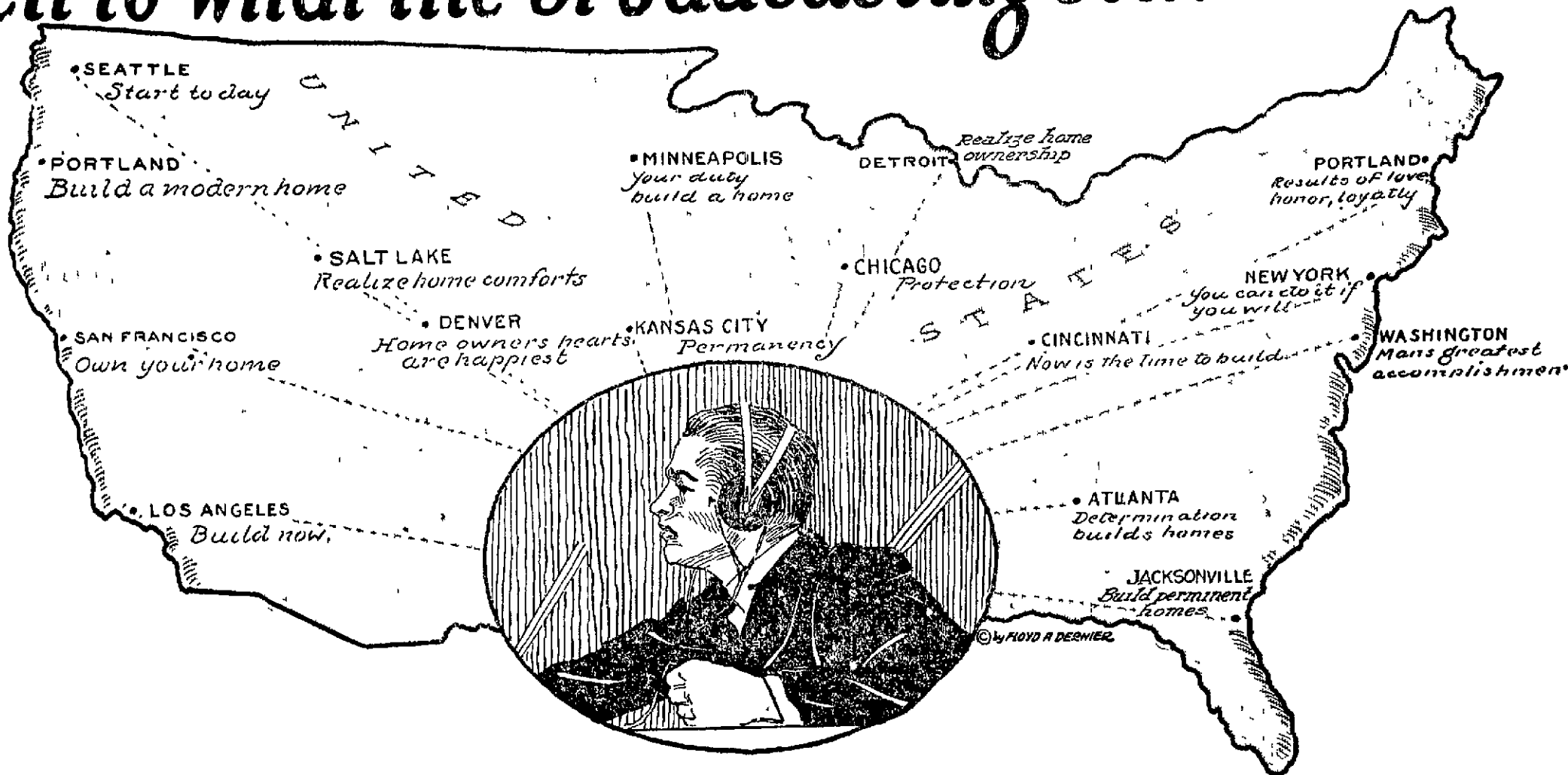
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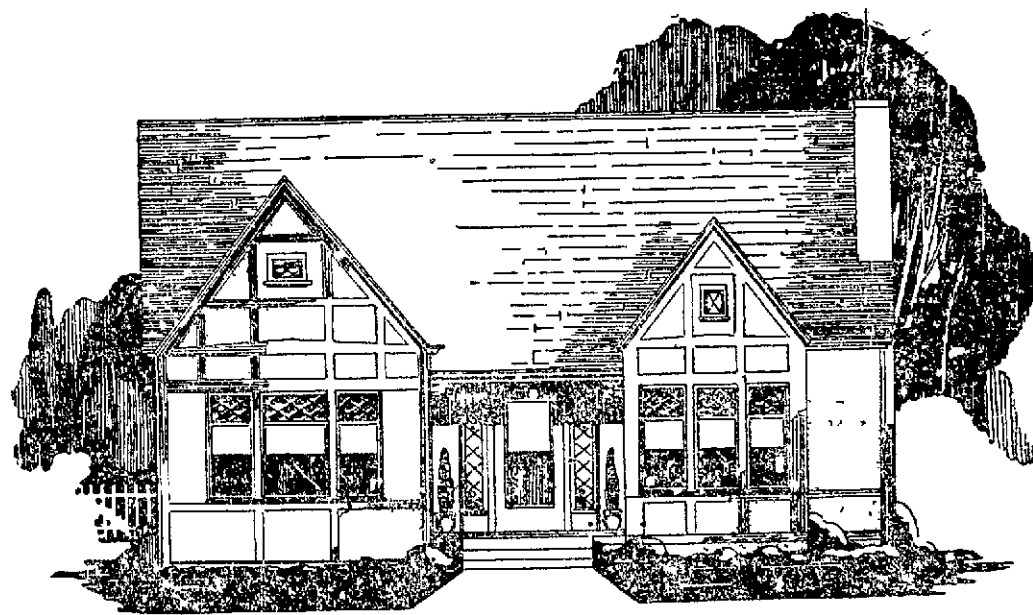
Own Your Own Home

From everywhere the recommendation comes to you to Build a Home—Own Your Own Home—become independent and assure yourself and family protection, happiness and contentment.

These suggestions are timely, because you are in a better position to undertake Home Ownership now than ever before. You are making more money and these increased earnings should go into a home. On every hand attractive inducements are offered that you may become a home owner—money is plentiful at reasonable rates, building materials and competent labor is available at prices consistent with general conditions desirable home sites will never be cheaper. Those who are desirous of becoming home owners are taking advantage of present opportunities and to such an extent that more new homes are under

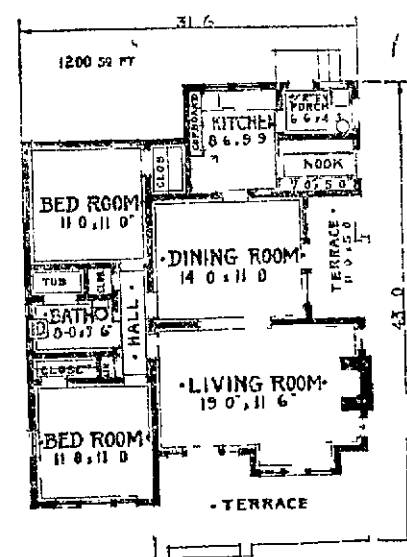
construction than ever before; this is just as it should be, and thinking folks are awakening to the fact that nothing can be gained by putting off home building any longer. Each day you defer building or buying a home deprives you and your family of that much pleasure and protection which you and they are rightfully entitled to.

Home Building is a privilege, an undertaking which opportunity offers to all, and when entered into with fixed determinations to succeed, regardless of obstacles, there isn't a chance in the world for you to lose, and before you realize it the home will be yours, and with the paid-up certificate and abstract carefully filed away for safe keeping you will be happy indeed in the thought that you have accomplished a wonderful purpose.



A typical English bungalow home of such rare distinction as to make it unusual in the extreme. The general exterior or design and arrangement shows the great care which has been given in executing the plans not one detail has been overlooked that would add to its attractiveness and make it practical and substantial.

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MEXIA BUSINESS WOMEN HOLD THANKSGIVING BANQUET

ORGANIZATION SUCCESSFUL IN ALL ITS ACTIVITY

The Business and Professional Women's Club of Mexia met at the Topic Cafe on last Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock, to a sumptuous Thanksgiving Banquet.

The dining room was beautifully decorated with large baskets of yellow chrysanthemums, and the tables were made attractive with small baskets of yellow chrysanthemums; these having been furnished for the occasion by the McSwane Floral Shop.

The following program was arranged by Mrs. Rose Parker, chairman of the entertainment committee. Vocal solo by Miss Lucille Priddy, "The Rosary," accompanied by Mrs. C. O. Denning at the piano. A talk by Rev. W. B. Andrews, who used as his subject "The Business Woman." Piano solo by Mrs. Anita Ledbetter. Reading by Mrs. Victor K. Aubrey, "In the Land of the Beginning Again." Talk by A. Hardy Eubanks, President of the Chamber of Commerce and Rotary Club, using as his subject "The Serious Side of Life," this talk was sprinkled with a bit of Eubanks humor, and was greatly enjoyed by all present as was the rest of this entertaining program. The final selection was a violin duet by Mrs. Wright and Melrod, accompanied by Mrs. George Stubbs at the piano, these latter young ladies are from Wortham.

The members of this club have their regular business meeting on the second and fourth Monday in each month, and get together for their social meetings, which are known for their spice and pep, about once a month.

CONGRESSMAN JOHNSON READY FOR CONGRESS

Congressman Luther Johnson of this district is now in Washington again, ready for the short session which opens Monday and which will finish its labors March 4. Congressman Johnson writes that if there are any in this district who have matters to which they would like to call his attention or receive assistance on that he will be glad to hear from them there.

BROCKSTON-HENSON.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Archer entertained a few friends and relatives Thursday, the occasion of the hour being the marriage of their niece, Miss Lena Henson of Coolidge to Mr. George Brockston of Big Hill. The ceremony was performed by Elder J. A. Q. Pingle of Coolidge, music being rendered by Mrs. Oliver, sister of the groom. After congratulations and well wishes the bride and groom left for their home at Big Hill.

The First Methodist Church.

The pastor, Rev. W. B. Andrews, will preach at 11 a. m., and 7 p. m. The morning subject: "Why the Devil Struck Paul." Evening subject: "Sins that Cannot Be Hidden."

The Sunday School meets at 9:15. Epworth League at 3 and 4 p. m.

"Saul's Conversion" will be the subject for study in the Wednesday night prayer meeting.

Spiritualist Declares That Hardings United

LONDON, Nov. 29.—The late President Warren G. Harding and his wife, Florence Kling Harding, undoubtedly are united in the spirit world, Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, distinguished British author and spiritualist, creator of "Sherlock Holmes" declared in an interview with the United Press.

"I think there is no doubt that the late President called out to his wife while she still was on earth and actually summoned her to him and that she went," Sir Arthur said.

He added that several American Presidents have been susceptible to psychic influences, "and it is conceivable that they are watching earthly affairs."

Sir Arthur cited the case of Abraham Lincoln.

"There is no doubt about it in Lincoln's case," the author-spiritualist said. "That is an historical fact."

"It should be recognized that psychic messages, relayed to Lincoln were largely instrumental in winning the Civil War."

Conan Doyle is convinced that not only is there survival after death, but that "vigorous, vital personalities like Lord Northcliffe," may be able to achieve, and in some cases actually have achieved communication with this earth.

DAILY DOZEN BEST RADIO PROGRAM

By DAILY DOZEN.

Station call letters: WCC, Detroit, Mich., 517. WJAX, Cleveland, Ohio, 320. WOO, Philadelphia, Pa., 509. WWJ, Detroit, Mich., 517. WDAF, Kansas City, Mo., 411. WFAA, Dallas, Texas, 476. WHAS, Louisville, Ky., 400. WHO, Des Moines, Ia., 525. WMC, Memphis, Tenn., 500. WMH, Cincinnati, Ohio, 300. WOC, Davenport, Ia., 484. WSB, Atlanta, Ga., 429. WCC, 2:00 p. m. Organ recital. 5:00 p. m. Dinner concert. WJAX 8:00 p. m. Musical program. WOO 1:30 p. m. Musical exercises. 5:00 p. m. Organ recital. 6:30 p. m. Sermon; organ recital. WWJ 1:00 p. m. The Detroit News orchestra. 9:30 p. m. Church services. WDAF 4:00 to 5:00 p. m. Classical program. WFAA 6:00 to 7:00 p. m. Bible class. 9:00 to 9:30 p. m. Sacred song recital. 9:30 to 11:30 p. m. Hawaiian music recital. WHAS 9:57 a. m. Organ music. 10:00 a. m. Church services. 4:00 to 5:00 p. m. Choral even-song service. WHO 7:30 to 9:00 p. m. Bankers Life Radio artists. WMC 11:00 a. m. Church services. WMH 7:00 p. m. Sermon, Christian church. WOC 8:00 p. m. Church services. 9:30 p. m. Palmer orchestra. WSB 11:00 a. m. Church services. 5:00 to 6:00 p. m. Twilight sacred service. 7:00 to 7:30 p. m. Services, St. Paul's Cathedral.

Two royal tombs from the Valley of the Kings will be erected in Field Museum, at Chicago. Each tomb will contain several rooms, and in each burial crypt the genuine mummy of a king and queen will be placed in a sarcophagus.

MEN AND WOMEN IN NEWS OF THE DAY



Below: EDGAR A. BANCROFT & HAZEL BOYNE
Below: THOMAS H. INCE & PATRICK CARDINAL HAYES

Thomas H. Ince, youthful motion picture producer, who featured Bill Hart, Charles Ray, Frank Keenan, Louise Glaum and Douglas MacLean, dropped dead at his home, "Dias Dorados," in Beverly Hills, Los Angeles. Edgar A. Bancroft, new American Ambassador to Japan, has been received in audience by Prince Regent Hirohito in Tokyo. Patrick Cardinal Hayes, one of the youngest Cardinals in the Catholic Church, has just passed his fifty-seventh birthday in New York City. "Get me out of jail and I'll be a good boy," written in an appealing note to Hazel "Sunray" Boyne, actress, failed to get her to drop her alimony charge against Robert Stuart Eschelman, known on the stage as Dos Roberts, and he was held in a New York City jail.

Family Reunion Is Attended Thursday By Mrs. John Holton and J. W. Thomas

J. W. Thomas of the city last Tuesday night had as visitors in to a family reunion in honor of his home here, his three brothers, of the fiftieth wedding anniversary of T. W. of Thorp Springs, E. L. of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Lamesa and J. M. of Port Arthur. Thomas of that place. The latter

are the parents of ten children, four boys and six girls, all of who gathered around the hearthstone and turkey laden tables for the festive occasion long to be remembered by them. A few of the grandchildren were present. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas have resided in their present home since 1890, coming to Texas from Greenville, Alabama. They rejoined in the pleasures of the Thanksgiving season for them. They are the grandparents to 34 boys and girls of varying ages from infancy to mature manhood and have 4 great grandchildren. All of their children, grand children and great grandchildren live in Texas, scattered from Coast to Western plains. The daughters are Mrs. W. R. Hood of Corsicana; Mrs. Will Kline of Mexia; Mrs. W. N. Ferris of Amarillo; Mrs. Mack Moore of Waco; Mrs. John Holton of Mexia and Parkhill of Beaumont.

E. D. Dickey and B. O. Barnett paid Mexia a visit Monday.

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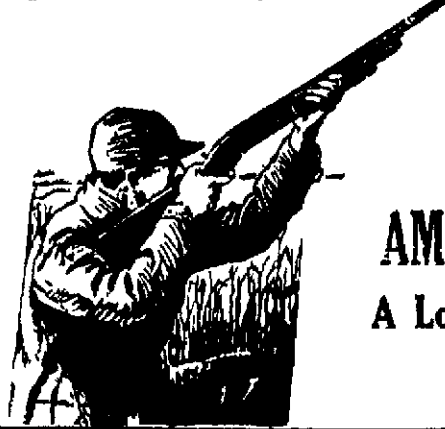
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Railroads Are Ready For Big Mexia Business

Much material for the oil field was being unloaded Saturday at the long switch formerly serving the loading rack, along the H. & T. C., about a mile North of town. The yards are rapidly filling up with cars loaded with all sorts of commodities and oil field supplies. Huge stacks of pipe are growing bigger every day, and trucks are busy all night and day, taking material to locations in the new district. Next week, according to local railway freight agents, the lines serving Mexia will bring many times as many cars in as the week just closed. Orders placed the early part of the week for immense stocks will begin to roll in. The H. & T. C. and the T. & B. V., with five in-lets into Mexia have many miles of side tracks and will entertain no difficulty in handling the business coming. Locations are also available along tracks for supply houses, warehouses, and yards, both F. P. Hutchinson of the Southern Pacific

DUKE'S DAUGHTER WEDS U. S. FARMER.



Mrs. & Mrs. W. H. MEYERS

Honeymooning somewhere in New York are Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Meyers. Meyers is a small truck farmer of Melbourne, Fla. Mrs. Meyers was Countess Marie Larisch, daughter of Duke Ludwig, of Bavaria. She was also Duchess von Wittelsbach in her court days. Count Karl Larisch, her son by a former marriage, attended the wedding ceremony in Elizabeth, N. J., on September 2. Reduced by poverty after the war, the Countess became a servant in a German household. Meyers heard of her plight and wrote, proposing marriage. She accepted. The Countess, who is reported to know more than any living person of the mysterious death of Crown Prince Rudolph, of Austria, was the favorite niece of the late Empress Elizabeth of Austria, and was reared in the royal Hofburg palace in Vienna.

and Sam Werner of the T. & B. V. are here today and even improved. Three years ago twenty-three switch engines were required to handle the Mexia freight yards, at which time this station led all other Texas cities in business handling. The same facilities here then

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Mexia Daily News Asked Again To Gather Santa Claus Letters And Publish in Home Newspaper

Monday is the beginning of a new month. It will be December, the Christmas month.

The Mexia Daily News has again asked to accept letters for delivery to Santa Claus from the children of the community. The News will publish these letters, so that Santa Claus may read every one of them.

So the little folks are urged to take advantage of this opportunity. Each year sees a larger number of their messages to Santa published and this year, he hopes to hear from even a greater number.

Just address your letter to "Santa Claus, care of the Mexia Daily News, Mexia, Texas."

MARLAND ENTERS NEW FIELD AS ONE OF NEW OPERATORS

The field activity in the Mexia Northern oil district is participating in largely by operators who have been competitors in the Mexia, Curran, Richland, New Richland and all other fields. They know the conditions well and also know the value of flush production in the oil shale sands, as well as the country with which it goes off, leaving the pump to do the work. This has resulted in the frenzied scramble downward. One of the companies to enter the field is the Marland Company, on whose four rigs are to be running on and who is building bunk houses, a water station and other necessary equipment for its part in the development program.

Nelson Forrester and Ben Smith returned from Atlanta where they spent a few days this past week on a visit with their sons, Don Forrester and Jim Smith. The young men are students at Georgia Tech. While there they spent the Thanksgiving day foot ball game and friend have enjoyed the spirit of the game as they met old friends who have just returned from the same school.

Principal R. M. Andrews of the High School was on the program at the Texas Teachers Association at San Antonio this past week, giving an address in one of the sections on Public Speaking.

SALE—Gates Apartment, at a bargain. See Tracy McKenzie at phone 111 or 395.

Peaches Beat Potatoes 1924

(By United Press)

AUSTIN, Nov. 29.—The state's reputation as a sweet potato producer is at stake and somebody is needed to bolster the annual production.

This year's crop is placed by farm statisticians at 4,450,000 bushels compared with 6,830,000 for 1923 and 8,715,000 for 1922.

On the other hand the Texas peach yield for 1924 mounted to 776 carloads, compared with a five-year average of 386 cars.

25 CARS OF FIELD SUPPLIES ARE HERE OVER T. & B. V. R. R.

Sam Werner, local Commercial Agent for the T. and B. V. stated Saturday that this line had just received 25 car loads of material for the new oil field near here. He has information also that there are 75 other cars rolling this way at present.

From Mildred and Navario much material is to be hauled, transferred back to Mexia.

SCHOOLS RESUME MONDAY AFTER TWO DAYS REST

Schools in the city will resume work Monday morning, following the rest since last Wednesday. The two holidays were allowed for Thanksgiving and for the State Teachers Association.

Doe Corley was an Austin visitor Thanksgiving day, seeing the big game between the University and A. & M. He reports the new stadium a magnificent structure, which when completed will be the equal of any in the entire country.

George Caulfield of Waco is in Mexia and expects to make this his future home.

WHAT IS THE AGE-LIMIT FOR WOMAN'S LOVE?

"The Tattooed Countess" Fell in Love at First Sight at Fifty.

IN these days of bob-haired grandmothers, there is a new truth in the old saying, "A woman is as old as she looks and a man is as old as he feels." The days are over when a woman looked her age. Thanks to more efficient housekeeping, better personal hygiene, more outdoor life, more varied activity and popular education on the subject in the newspapers, most women have joined the youth extension movement.

And these women are living up to their looks—if they look young, they are young—and they act young.

Not that the older women had to learn their lessons from the papers. Ever since Eve ordered the pattern for the latest thing in fashions, it has been one of the profoundest desires of woman to stay young. All through history and art and literature we find the tragedy and comedy—and beautiful romance—of woman striving to retain the magic charm of her youth. Some of the greatest women in history achieved renown when women of their ages were content to croon lullabies to grandchildren.

Catherine the Great, Empress of Russia, mixed statecraft and lovecraft for fifty years, her successive chief ministers being also her lovers. And she gave up love only

when she gave up life, finding a new lover when she was sixty-seven years old, just before her death. Cleopatra was comparatively young—only thirty-nine, when she ended her life and her disastrous affair with Marc Antony. Frau von Stein had seven children (although she was only thirty-three) when she first met Goethe, and she dominated his life until she was forty-four.

But these famous women of history were the exceptions—and it was not until the time of our own grandmothers that the world changed for women so that almost all could extend their youth beyond their teens. Some say that it all started with the agitation for the vote (doesn't it seem old fashioned already?) and when women began to be necessary in business, in industry and in the professions. How could a woman grow old doing a young woman's work? How could she grow old living a young woman's life?

Of course, we have smiled at the middle-aged woman in New Jersey who, a few months ago, eloped with a young boy, and we have been inclined to laugh outright at the wealthy Mrs. Turk who, the

other day, married at the tender age of ninety, and the wealthy Mrs. Fray of Virginia, marrying at 82 a man of 28. These are simply the extremes—there are very few women who, deep down in their hearts, ever really lose hope of love if they have never found it, or, if they are married, feel that their lives are ended. But where, in olden days, these feelings were rarely realized, now almost all women feel them and an increasing number realize them.

But "The Tattooed Countess" belongs not to this generation but to that of our grandmothers. In 1897 she was fifty, and in those days it took great courage to challenge the generally accepted opinion that a woman of fifty is about twice too old for love. But the Countess was a woman of courage—she came and saw and conquered and carried off her love prize in the face of the shocked society of Maple Valley, Iowa.

"The Tattooed Countess" took her young lover away from two rivals—a woman of forty and a girl of eighteen. But it must be admitted that it was not her love which won. And it is also very doubtful whether she held her lover very long. The woman of forty offered him intellectual companionship and spiritual sympathy. The girl of eighteen offered him youth and ardent love. But the woman of fifty knew what he really wanted at that moment—to leave the humdrum socialness of Maple Valley—to see the world, to live life amid the splendors of European society, the theatre, art, literature—to see the intellectual brilliance of the Old World with his own eyes. And those things "The Tattooed Countess" alone could give him—although she could not hope to receive in return the passion she craved.

Can a woman of fifty really love a boy of seventeen? Well, can a man of fifty really love a girl of seventeen? Why is it more people will answer "no" to the first question than to the second—and will answer it more vigorously? At any rate it is certainly a subject on which very few people can be indifferent, judging from the fact that five editions of the story of "The Tattooed Countess" were sold out in the first three weeks after Alfred A. Knopf published it. In the case of "The Tattooed Countess," the answer to the question of love goes back to her past—and a very gay and brilliant past it was, according to Mr. Carl Van Vechten's highly entertaining account in his new novel. Mr. Van Vechten introduces "The Tattooed Countess" at the time she comes

teens, and falls in love with him. Lennie Colman, Gareth's English teacher at high school, also loves him, but in silence, fearing the difference between her forty years and his youth. "The Tattooed Countess" is therefore really a story of a sharp contrast of characters—the teacher representing the old-fashioned spinster who becomes an old maid in repressed suffering and "The Tattooed Countess" representing the modern woman who lives life to the last drop.

How the brilliant Countess comes to the small town and the honors with which she is received make a story full of chuckles. How she shocks her withered sister and the town with her make-up and her smoking, how the town nevertheless gives a grand gala concert in her honor, offer still more chuckles. But how the poor school teacher, who has all her life been burdened with a drunken, spendthrift father, loses the one human being she loves, brings a catch to the throat. "The Tattooed Countess" wins, but even as she takes Gareth with her, she feels that her happiness cannot last. How long can fifty and seventeen find even companionship together?



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Conspiracy Against Indian Potentate London Sensation

(By United Press)
LONDON, Nov. 29.—One of the principals in the "Mr. A" case was under arrest today and another was sought by Scotland Yard detectives. This was the not unexpected aftermath of the sensational trial in which a conspiracy to obtain \$1,500,000 from an unnamed Indian potentate was established. William Cooper Hobbs, one of the principal witnesses, and one of the conspirators who made away with \$200,000 of the rajah's money, was taken into custody as he attempted to leave the country and flee to Holland. It was announced that warrants had been issued for another man in the case. Charles Robinson, bookmaker, who sued the Midland Bank of London for \$325,000 of the money obtained from the potentate and Mrs. Robinson, who became the rajah's mistress, were believed immune. A jury yesterday found them innocent of complicity in the conspiracy, although answering other questions put by the judge in way indicated it was doubtful if Robinson will get his money.

New Schedule Gives Service to Wortham

The New Railroad Schedule to become effective Monday gives Mexia train service to Wortham, suitable for the field worker as well as those who have business there. The new schedule is as follows:
STEAM TRAIN NO. 31.
Leave Mexia 6:00 a. m.
Arrive Wortham 6:20 a. m.
Leave Wortham 9:10 a. m.
Arrive Mexia 9:30 a. m.
Leave Mexia 5:00 p. m.
Arrive Mexia 7:55 p. m.
MOTOR CAR.
Leave Mexia 5:10 a. m.
Arrive Mexia 6:25 a. m.
Leave Mexia 6:00 p. m.
Arrive Mexia 7:50 p. m.
Trains No. 31 and 32 arriving in Mexia at 10:03 a. m. and leaving Mexia for Dallas at 12:50 p. m. has been discontinued.

JOHN McELROY SEES SANTA CLAUS EARLY

John I. McElroy of the firm of Higdon-McElroy saw Santa coming early this week. If the oil field was a gift from Santa, he found Higdon-McElroy's all decorated in Christmas style for him. The store was transformed overnight recently into a veritable Christmas scene, with streamers flowing, Christmas gifts placed prominently all around and bright with the promise of this being the biggest Christmas season Mexia has ever witnessed.

NEW CALIPH MAY BE COAL-BLACK AFRICAN

LONDON.—Advisers from Constantinople indicate that the new Caliph may be a coal-black native of North Africa. The Sheikh of the Senussi tribe is said to be a hot favorite for the post. The obnoxious Webbs, who recently chased King Hussein off his Caliphal throne and out of the Holy of Holies, are being urged to consent to the summoning of a congress in Mecca for the selection of a new potentate.

Miss Furch Jones of Dallas is a delightful guest in the home of her sister, Mrs. J. C. Thomas.

BABY MEMBER OF CONGRESS



Andrew L. Somers, Democrat, elected to Congress from the Sixth District of Brooklyn, N. Y., is shown here with his wife and their two children. Mr. Somers will be the baby of the Congress, being only thirty-nine years old, just six days younger than Representative V. M. Chapman, Republican, of Kentucky.

Ex-Premier Mac To Go Visiting

(By United Press)
LONDON, Nov. 25.—Former Premier Ramsay MacDonald will visit Jamaica and Panama instead of making a trip through South America, according to the Daily Express. The trip probably will be made at the conclusion of the December session of Parliament and will end before that house reconvenes in February.

MEXIA STREETS WERE CROWDED LAST NIGHT

The streets of Mexia were crowded last night as in the days of the big boom. Some of the downtown corners, especially at the intersection of Commerce and Sherman, were almost impassable. The reason is that the men working of derricks and pipe lines in the upper end of the field were here for their Saturday night holiday and spending their money with our business men. This shows that Mexia will reap a rich harvest from the field now opening in more ways than one.

SPEIGHT AND COOK DRILLING CAUTIOUSLY

The Speight and Roscoe Cook wells south of Mexia are still drilling every day. The Speight did not get a core Saturday and the drill is going down slowly and cautiously with confidence in the test increasing each day. The core taken Thursday showed what oil men call a pretty sand with unmistakable signs of oil. These tests are being watched with considerable interest, notwithstanding the excitement in the north east end of the field.

JACKIE AND THE REDS

BERLIN.—Jackie Coogan is playing a role in the communist election propaganda. The reds are circulating the story that Jackie "and some other American millionaires" are buying out the German railways. This, the communists say, will be bad for German workers.

Miss Mary Dexter left for her home in El Paso, following a visit during the fall with her mother, Mrs. J. D. Dexter of this place.

Arkansas Man Is Offered Place As Hospital President

(By United Press)
DALLAS, Nov. 23.—E. E. King, superintendent of Arkansas Baptist Hospital, Little Rock, has been offered the superintendency of Baylor hospital here, it was announced today. It was not known whether King will accept. The hospital executive board, in a signed statement, said "King had been offered the position in recognition of his record as superintendent of the Little Rock Institution."

Benjamin Davis, 15 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Davis, accidentally killed by a truck while on a visit to Arlington Friday is greatly mourned in this place. He was a member of the Junior class of the High School and his fellow students, as well as many grown up friends have expressed their great grief. The funeral will be largely attended, Sunday afternoon at the Christian church.

Hugh Allspaugh of the Boyd Oil Company's Dallas offices, formerly with Humphreys at Mexia, was a local visitor this past week. He and his wife are expected to return to make their residence here with the opening of headquarters in this city.

Mesdames Harry Weeks and Jo McGregor have returned from a pleasant month spent in Colorado.

Penn Railroad Dock Burns At Jersey

(By United Press)
JERSEY CITY, N. J., Nov. 23.—The Pennsylvania Railroad docks on the North River were afire today. Two alarms had been turned in by 8:15 a. m. and all the city's available apparatus summoned. Pier K, at the foot of Second street, was reported ablaze. This was the third serious fire on the Jersey side within a few weeks.

NEGRO BANDIT KILLED.

(By United Press)
DETROIT, Mich., Nov. 23.—One unidentified negro bandit was shot and killed and his two companions escaped in a running gun battle with Patrolman George Wuns here early today when the three tried to hold up Wuns.

PRINCE IN PRISON

BERLIN.—Prince Alexander Trubetzkoy, adopted son of a Russian Admiral; Prince Vladimir Trubetzkoy, has been sentenced to three years in prison for a series of sleeping car robberies.

Pete Urschel, popular Field Superintendent of the Pure Oil Company, has accepted a similar position with the Boyd Oil Company, going back to the employ of a company headed by Colonel A. E. Humphreys.

George Eubanks of Westminster has been on a visit in the home of his brother A. H. Eubanks.

FUNERAL BENJAMIN DAVIS SUNDAY AFTERNOON

The funeral of Benjamin Davis, high school pupil, killed in Fort Worth Thursday by an auto, will occur this afternoon at 2:30 from the First Christian church with interment in the City Cemetery.

Miss Christine Halbert of Ft. Worth is here on a visit in the home of her aunt, Mrs. M. O. Myers.

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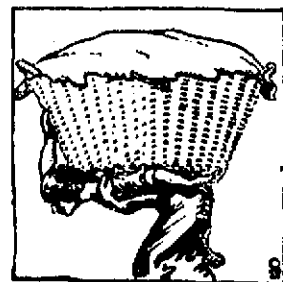
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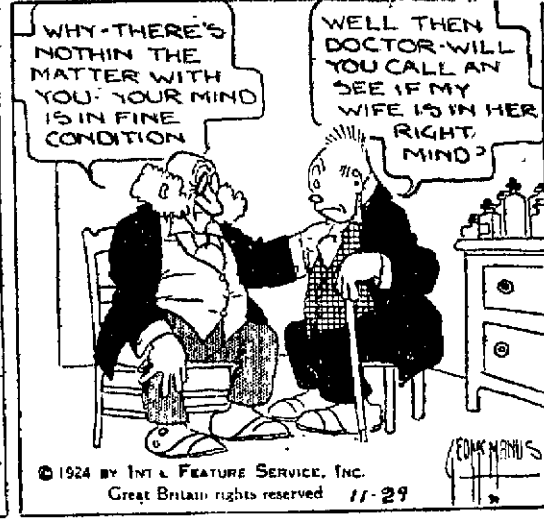
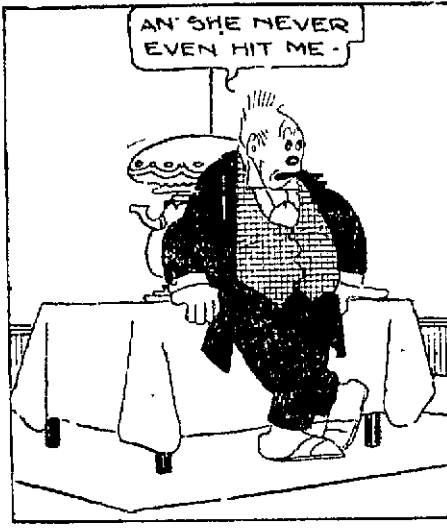
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WILL SELL Lot in Sunshine Addition, just East of Ross. \$400, \$100 cash down, balance terms to suit. See W. K. Boyd. 30J10

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FOR SALE—Well located exclusive Ladies Ready to Wear and Millinery shop doing good business. Reason for selling other store requires my full time. W. A. EVERETT.

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GOOD AS NEW 15 KVA Generator. Cost \$600, will sell for \$350. Call at News Publishing Co. Phone 145. 30J15

ENGRAVING—All kinds of cards, business cards, visiting cards. See our samples. Phone 145. News Publishing Co. 20J30

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FOR SALE—Flat top office desk, three chairs. Red Ball House Moving Co. 220 S. Milam. 28F2

FOR SALE—I have 235 shares of E. L. Smith Oil, that I will sell to the highest bidder for cash no trades as I need money. E. L. Smith stock is O. K. and will soon be bringing \$1.00 per share, address FRANK FOSTER, 702 West 8th St. North Platte, Neb. 28J2

FOR RENT.

FOR RENT—Front southeast bedroom at 418 E. Milam St. MRS. J. D. ARRINGTON. 28L4

FOR RENT—Nicely furnished bedroom adjoining bath, also garage, close in town, 411 E. Main, phone 194. 28-K-2

FOR RENT—Two furnished rooms with lights water, and gas, private entrance, see 729 E. Palestine St. Corner Palestine and Kennedy St. 28-K-2

FOR RENT—Nicely furnished bedroom for one or two gentlemen, with bath, hot and cold water. 302 S. McKinney St. 26L3

FOR RENT—Furnished and unfurnished housekeeping rooms, water, sewerage, gas, also have large room for a couple, close in and on pavement. Phone 683 J. See them at 201 N. Bonham. 28-L-7

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FOR RENT—6 office rooms in the heart of the city upstairs over Matheny Grocery Store. See Doctor Oates, phone 31 or 64. 7

FOR RENT—To 3 or 4 gentlemen, two adjoining rooms, every convenience at 305 S. Ross Ave, paved street, Jas. F. McElroy, phone 177W or 318. 28-L-3

FOR RENT—Several large rooms for light housekeeping. Furnished or unfurnished. Each room has fireplace. All conveniences, 701 E. Grayson St. Phone 733-J. 28-L-7

FOR RENT—Furnished rooms for men. 511 N. Ross. 28L-3

FOR RENT—Southeast sleeping room in private home. Extra large room over garage, twin beds, all conveniences, close in on pavement. Men preferred. MRS. G. W. PERKINS, 409 E. Commerce. 28K3

LOST AND FOUND—D

STRAYED OR STOLEN—From pasture 2 miles north of Mexia, one gray mare, split in left ear, weight about 850, 13 hands high, left ear hoof white. Reward for information or return to Irving Hatcher, 112 S. Belknap. 28-D-2

MISCELLANEOUS—T

Let us repair your old roof, all work guaranteed, 14 years in the business. The Larey Roofing Co. Office at J. R. Nece Lumber Co., Mexia, Texas. R-30-7

We collect bad account and judgments. We make hot checks (hotter). See us we will get results. Mexia Detective Bureau, City Hall. 19-T-30

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Wanted—Messenger boys, apply Western Union Telegraph Co., Mexia, Texas.

WANTED—Young man with some experience in gent's furnishings. References required. Box B care News. 28A2

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WILL BUY any part of 2,000 shares E. L. Smith Oil Stock at 65 cents. Write or wire C. L. Tatum, Mexia, Texas.

WANTED—Second hand iron beds and springs. Dressers, chairs and tables. Any quantity. Either for cash or trade on other furniture. J. I. RIDDLE & CO. E-9-21-11

WANTED—Table boarders in private family, excellent well cooked meals, one very desirable bedroom for rent to two gentlemen, private entrance next to bath, single beds. Close in, 3 blocks south of City Hall, 305 E. Hunt Street, just off McKinney. 26-U-7

WANTED—Good second hand eight piece dining room suit. Any finish, either for cash or trade on other furniture. J. I. RIDDLE & CO. E-9-21-11

WILL BUY E. L. Smith Oil Co. stock at 75c for immediate acceptance draw draft through City National Bank, Mexia, Tex. LIMESTONE INVESTMENT CO. 28J3

NEW TWO-STORY MODERN BRICK.

In the heart of Mexia, formerly used as office and store building, now being used as Apartment House, can quickly be reconverted into ten two-room offices upstairs and seven stores down stairs. SPRENG BUILDING, corner Commerce and Paris, fronting 25 1/2 feet on Commerce street and 115 feet on Paris. Price \$25,000.00; \$10,000.00 cash, balance easy at 8 per cent interest. Shown by appointment only. Phone 701-J, Mexia, Texas.

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Over the National
Phone 122

L. L. STEELE, Vs. MASSACHUSETTS BONDING & INSURANCE COMPANY.

No. 4592-A in the 77th District Court of Limestone County, Texas. LIS PENDENS.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Notice is hereby given to all creditors, laborers and material men who furnished material or labor in the construction of the High School building in Mexia, Limestone County, Texas, and who have a claim for labor or material, which claim or claims are unsatisfied, that the above styled and numbered cause instituted by the Plaintiff, L. L. Steele, against the Massachusetts Bonding & Insurance Company, for labor, is now pending in the 77th District Court of Limestone County, Texas, and has been set down for trial and will be tried on the eighth day of December, A. D., 1924, at Groesbeck, Texas. 16-23-30

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Wortham Has Its Busiest Day Of All on Saturday

Wortham went through the busiest day of her history Saturday. All day long the streets jostled with thousands of visitors, prospectors and workmen. The three business blocks between the Railroad and the X-All highway were jammed with vehicles and the vanguard of even larger crowds yet to come.

The old boom which never fully materialized enabled Wortham to be better prepared than many new oil towns for the reception of the throngs. Many hotels, lodging houses, store buildings, and warehouses built to take care of the first rush which never came until lately, has at last proven to have been a benefit and a blessing in enabling Wortham citizens to take care of the situation better than they otherwise would.

Contractors, lease men, promoters, brokers, oil field followers and "hangers on," oil field workers and big horses and bigger trucks and wagons proved a scene that always delights the oil fraternity.

One veteran team contractor, a veteran of Burk Burnett and Ranger has arrived in the field, he has 150 teams on their way to Wortham right now.

Lumber dealers are doing their best to meet the demand of the rapidly rising field. Within one hour after the Simmons came in, the supply in Wortham was exhausted and connections were established with yards elsewhere and trucks ordered out from Waco, Dallas, Corsicana and other points some distance away.

POLE DERRICK IS ALMOST UNCANNY IN ITS OPERATION

There are erected in the Bell System each year in the neighborhood of 500,000 new telephone poles. In addition, the maintenance of over 14,000,000 poles involves the moving, removing, resetting and straightening of large numbers of poles annually. To accomplish this immense task the pole derrick is being used more and more.

A very light weight, easily operated type of pole derrick has been

developed for use in the Bell System, by means of which three persons, a chauffeur and two men, can erect a 35 or 40 foot chestnut pole in a few minutes, work which formerly took seven or eight men, several times as long to accomplish. The derrick is mounted on a two and one-half ton truck. It is constructed of high grade steel tubing, having a strength at the yielding point of approximately 70,000 pounds per square inch.

A pole derrick can be taken out of its truck on the truck and assembled in position to handle a pole in three or four minutes. The actual time of erecting a pole is ordinarily very short. In fact, under average conditions, poles are erected and dropped into previously dug holes at the rate of about two minutes a pole.

Economy Filling Station Handling Humble Products

Tavis Morrow, manager of the Economy Filling Station, announces that his station is hereafter to handle Humble Products. This announcement will no doubt be very pleasing to patrons of that concern, since Humble Products have become so well known and appreciated here. The Economy is located at the Southwest corner of Main and McKinney Street, in the same block in which the Humphreys Building is located, where the Boyd Oil Company will hereafter maintain headquarters.

Rev. G. W. Kincheloe Visits In Mexia

Rev. G. W. Kincheloe who has for the past two years been the pastor of the Mexia Methodist circuit and who made his home here, at the recent session of the Texas Conference was assigned work to assist over the conference in Centenary Collections. He is assistant to Secretary J. L. Gafford, General Secretary of the Centenary. Rev. and Mrs. Kincheloe have recently moved to Corsicana. He arrived Saturday to spend a few days here and his

Wife Bobbed Hair, So He Grows Whiskers.



ROY C. PAGE, MEXIA.

Roy C. Page, noted flyer, who brought down four German planes in the World War, and who is now a night flying air mail pilot between Omaha and Chicago, thought his wife's long, flowing hair was beautiful. But she would be modern, so she bobbed it. To get even he discarded his razor, and refuses to shave until his wife lets her hair grow long again.

many friends were so glad to see him. Rev. H. H. Nance was sent to the Mexia circuit and he is filling his fourth Sunday appointments today.

Silverfox pelts bring as much as \$2000 each.

Interscholastic League Holds Its Fifth Program

AUSTIN, Texas, Nov. 22.—The fifth annual breakfast and section meeting of the University of Texas Interscholastic League was held in the ballroom of the Gunter Hotel in San Antonio, last Friday morning, according to an announcement made by Roy Bedichek, head of the League.

"Vital Problems connected with the work of the League are discussed annually at this function," said Mr. Bedichek, "and it is second only in importance, so far as the work of the organization is concerned, to the annual meeting of delegates which is held during the State meet. Not only are general problems of wholesome inter-school competitions discussed, but specific rules recommended at this meeting are often incorporated into the rules and regulations of the organization."

The program was as follows: "Honest Competition," State Superintendent S. M. N. Marrs; "The Competitive Stimulus in Health Education," Mrs. C. W. Wilcox, Houston; "How Town and Country May Get Together in the County Meet," Supt. M. V. Peterson, Yorktown; "Organizing and Conducting a League Meet," Supt. J. H. Gregory, Kennedy; "Building up a Successful Rural School Meet," Mrs. Daily Bible, Meridian. T. H. Shelby, director of extension, University of Texas, will preside.

MRS. HARDING LAID AT REST.



MRS. HARDING'S FUNERAL. MEXIA.

The casket containing the body of Mrs. Warren G. Harding, widow of the late President Harding, is shown being carried from the Epworth Methodist Episcopal Church, Marion, O., to the cemetery, where she was laid to rest beside the body of her distinguished husband.

Boyd to Construct Big Warehouse in R. R. Yards Here

The Boyd Oil Company is making arrangements to build one of the biggest warehouses in the oil fields in Mexia, the construction

work to start at once. A lease has been secured along T&BV right of way near the former first warehouse of the Humphreys Oil Company, when Colonel Humphreys was its President. The Colonel supervised the selection of the location himself. In a short while, following the dispatch with which the Boyd President does things, material will be rolling to this warehouse and yardage.

BODY OF DEAD OIL BURNS IN OIL FIELD

One of the biggest clouds of smoke seen here rolled southward for several hours Saturday from a body of dead oil in the old Mexia oil field. Questions were asked constantly as to what it was that was burning.

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Some of the things we have been busy selling this week:

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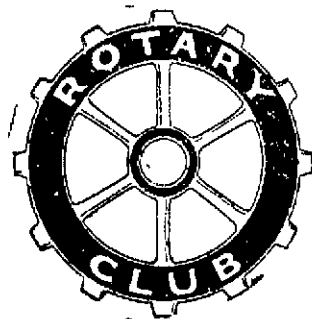
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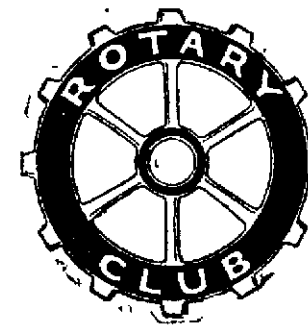
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"Somebody said it couldn't be done,
But "Al" with a chuckle replied,
That 'maybe it couldn't' but he would be one
Who wouldn't say so till he'd tried
So he buckled right in with the trace of a grin
On his face—if he worried he hid it;
He started to sing as he tackled the thing
That couldn't be done—AND HE DID IT."



Great things through greatest hazards are achieved, and then they shine.

Rotarian Ab, we hail thy triumphant return to our splendid city, in a spirit of cordial good will, sincere friendship and brotherly fraternalism.

Our hearts and homes acclaim a welcome to you and yours both generous and magnanimous and bid you a happy and prosperous sojourn among us.

Cordially and Rotarily,

MEXIA ROTARY CLUB

J. W. Elliott, Secretary.

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A cordial greeting and a sincere welcome home to Colonel Humphreys, a man who has ever affiliated himself with and striven with us to realize the high ideals of our Civic Organizations.

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MEXIA CROWDED WITH FARMERS BUYING AND SELLING

Saturday was a busy day in Mexia, farmers and their families coming in in growing numbers, from the extending Mexia trade territory. They are already beginning to think of Christmas, according to local merchants, and while here Saturday, many of them were impressed more than ever with Mexia as a market for their farm products.

Milk, eggs, poultry, feed stuff, vegetables, fruit and other produce fresh from the farm are demanded here and the best market at all seasons is assured to any one who has anything to sell.

Thanksgiving week saw quite a number of turkeys raised around here brought in and sold to Mexia citizens. It is hoped that a still greater number of "home grown gobblers" will be brought in.

There were 52,235 bales of cotton ginned in Limestone County,

from the crop of 1924, prior to November 14th, according to census bureau representative of this place. He states that on the same date last year, the ginner's report showed that 47,980 bales had been ginned.

PECAN VENDER IS ON STREETS OF WORTHAM; TYPICAL OIL SCENE

Old scenes viewed in Mexia four years ago were recalled Saturday at Wortham, as the pecan vender put in his appearance, established himself at prominent places and began selling nuts to the pecan loving public. Three little lads were busy at one stand. They paid \$7 for a sack full of pecans and had sold \$17 worth before night, with the sack not empty yet and the sale going on.

Frank Boyd and Bob Stivers returned to their homes at Ripley, Ohio, the latter part of the week. These gentlemen, Colonel Humphreys and Julius Fohs and other Boyd officials have been staying at the home of Mayor and Mrs. Ernest Watson and Mr. and Mrs. Allen Hatch. The Colonel expects to go to New York early in December.

The discovery of the new oil field at Mexia and Wortham this past week has brought to the city many leading oil men from all parts of the United States. Also, it has attracted many of the citizens who were former residents of this place, scores of whom are planning to reside here again.

Miss Elise Gibson who is attending school at Trinity University in Waukegan is spending the week end with her parents Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Gibson on East Sumpter Street.

Mrs. R. L. McIlvain has been here several days with her husband who is Vice President of the Pure Oil Company. They are located in the former home of Colonel Humphreys on South Belknap.

The fair weather this past week has permitted many visitors to leave their automobiles in the open. As a result, in front of all hotels, long lines of automobiles are parked day and night.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Thompson and Mrs. J. O. Stephens were Sunday visitors in the home of Mrs. Stephens' parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Rambo of Oakwood.

Miss Emma Jean Smith who is attending school in Kid-Key College is spending Thanksgiving holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sanford Smith.

Judge Elkins, General Counsel for the Boyd Oil Company, of Houston was a visitor in the field this past week.

Ben Hunt of this city was a Houston visitor Wednesday.

CHIEF FIGURES IN DAY'S DEVELOPMENTS.



Below: REV. COUNT AUGUSTINE GIEN & ETHEL LEGINSKA. Below: JOHN T. LEWIS & SAMUEL GOMPERS.

John L. Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers of America, is being urged upon President Coolidge as next Secretary of Labor to succeed James J. Davis. Samuel Gompers, veteran head of the American Federation of Labor, has been re-elected president at the El Paso, Tex., convention of the organization. Ethel Leginska, pianist and composer, has returned to America from Europe to direct the New York Symphony Orchestra, the only woman who ever enjoyed that distinction. Rev. Count Augustine Gien, former chaplain to the late Empress of Austria, has reached New York for an American tour.

DOUBLE TRACK COMPANY TO BE ORGANIZED SOON

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Nov. 29.—Organization of the company which is to build a double track electric railroad between Kansas City and St. Louis will be completed Monday, according to announcement here following issuance of a charter to the company yesterday. The proposed railroad will be 238 miles long and will shorten the time between the two cities by about four hours. The road will be financed by the sale of bonds. The company is capitalized at \$2,400,000.

Alvin Spearman from Baylor University of Waco is spending the Thanksgiving holidays here visiting his sister Miss Lessie Spearman.

Dr. E. P. Murdock and daughter, Miss Annie Laura of Oakwood were Mexia visitors Tuesday.

Mrs. R. A. Shepherd and baby are visiting relatives in Houston since Wednesday.

S. M. U. Concedes Baylor Is Winner Of Championship

(By United Press)
DALLAS, Nov. 29.—Southern Methodist University is prepared to concede 1924 Southwestern Conference football laurels to Baylor University.

This was made known in a statement issued by Ray Morrison, an SMU coach who denied rumors SMU would contest the probable award to Baylor.

"Both teams were undefeated in the conference," Morrison's statement said. "Since SMU has played four tie games and in view of Baylor's victories over Arkansas and A. & M. (teams tied by S. M.) it seems now the only part of good sportsmanship to concede the championship."

Trade at Home—For Mexia I Will.

SUTTON HERE FOR PRAIRIE COMPANY

B. W. Sutton, who maintains his headquarters at Tulsa, Southwestern Superintendent of the Prairie

Pipe Line Company, is in Mexia, attending to business in connection with the new Mexia Wortham oil field. The Prairie maintains its headquarters in the Pittman building in this city.

Six o'clock is an interesting hour in the down town district. Hundreds of field workers are to be seen lined up on streets waiting for trucks and conveyances to carry them to the new oil field.

We Join In

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MacMurray Is Named Aide to Hughes



John Van A. MacMurray, of Princeton, N. J., Chief of the Far East Division of the State Department, has been appointed Assistant Secretary of State by President Coolidge, succeeding the late A. A. Adee. Mr. MacMurray is forty-three years of age and has been attached to the diplomatic service in Peking and Tokio.

To The

GREATEST OIL OPERATOR

The Country Has Ever Seen

We Welcome You

In you, Colonel Humphreys, we have a friend who has brought happiness and prosperity to us, and we appreciate you and reverence you. We welcome you as a splendid gentleman and a genius in oil operations.

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TO--

Colonel Albert E. Humphreys

The man who has done more for the development of Mexia and Texas than any man living.

We Welcome You Back To
MEXIA

IN YOU WE RECOGNIZE A SPLENDID GENTLEMAN, A CHRISTIAN CHARACTER AND AN OIL OPERATOR THE MOST OUTSTANDING OF THE AGE.

IT IS WITH GREAT PLEASURE THAT WE WELCOME YOU BACK TO MEXIA.

Central Texas Grocery Co.

STOREY HOME IS SCENE OF MUCH PLEASURE FRIDAY

The banquet given to the football boys by Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Storey Friday evening at their home 801 E. Commerce came as a fitting culmination of the seasons successful close.

A color scheme of red and black, the high school colors, was carried out through out the house. The centerpiece for the banquet table was a shower of red chrysanthemums. The same flowers were in profusion in the living room and hall.

A plate dinner was served consisting of baked turkeys, dressing, cranberry jelly, potatoes, salad, celery, and hot rolls.

The color scheme was very beautiful in the demitasse and red cake.

Miss Clara Belle Bybee, football sponsor, was toastmistress. Dick Buford toasted Mr. Polter, coach. Wilbur Hoelzel toasted Mr. Frank Evans, who helped them all the season. W. B. Murphy gave a toast to Miss Catherine McGill who has always been an enthusiastic helper of the team.

Rev. Victor K. Aubrey gave a beautiful tribute to Mr. and Mrs. Storey and their always inspiring interest in high school athletics.

Mrs. Storey was assisted by her daughter Margaret, and Misses Pearl Goolsby, Dannie Loyd Bowers, Genevieve Hughes and Marianna Murphy.

Suggested Laws To Protect Game

(By United Press)
DALLAS, Nov. 29.—Suggestions for legislation designed to make the state a "happy hunting ground" filled with wild game of 11 descriptions, were drawn up at a meeting of the Texas Game and Fish Conservation Commission by John Stayton of Dallas, secretary-treasurer.

Stayton termed past legislation intended to promote game preserve as a "bluff" as there was no law which would support the plans.

Some of the suggestions laid down by Stayton in his plan to restock and protect the state game were:

1.—Creation of a non-partisan

AGAIN UNDER CURSE OF HOPE DIAMOND.



MR. & MRS. JOHN A. SMUTS, INTL.

John A. Smuts, said to be a cousin of General Jan Christian Smuts, of South Africa, is in a critical condition in a Boston hospital as the result of a bullet wound, which he declared was self-inflicted, though the police were at a loss to understand how he could have shot himself. His wife was the former May Yoho, actress, who married Lord Francis Hope, possessor of the baneful Hope Diamond, which she wore on several occasions. Then she ran away from Lord Hope with Major Putnam Bradley Strong, whom later she divorced and married Captain Smuts.

game commission composed of true sportsmen with about five members.

2.—Creation of a state-wide system of game refuges and hunting grounds.

3.—Adoption of a law which will declare all state parks as game sanctuaries.

4.—Complete protection of remaining antelope.

5.—Adoption of a universal hunter's license with only exemption of counties that have recently restocked with game and fish.

CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN

"A Friendly Church"

McKinney and Carthage Streets
Rev. Victor K. Aubrey, Pastor
Sunday school 9:15 a. m. Classes for all ages.

Morning service 11 a. m.
Vocal duet, Miss Elmer Moore, Miss Hazel Manning.

Sermon, "Winning Life Recruits", Tuesday.

Junior Christian Endeavor, 3 p. m.
Senior Christian Endeavor, 6:15.
Evening service 7:15 p. m.

Bishop Quinn of Houston of the Episcopal Church will conduct the service. Everybody invited.

Wednesday evening, 6:15, Church night, "Food, Faith, Fun."

Thursday evening, 7:15. Choir practice at the church under the leadership of Mrs. E. M. Strange. The new leader will be present to assume charge of the choir.

Many social events were enjoyed by the ladies of the city and community this past week. Bridge "42" and other diversions were forgotten, for a while at least, at many of the events while the ladies discussed current oil field topics.

Oran Arrington of San Antonio was a Mexia visitor this past week, visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Arrington, and also attending Karen's ceremonial at Waco on last Tuesday.

WELCOME!

The World's Greatest "Wildcatter"

With the assistance of your wonderful business ability, we are going to try to make Mexia one of the greatest cities in Central Texas.

Cheeves Bros. & Company

"Mexia's Largest Department Store"

TO THE GREATEST OIL OPERATOR OF THE AGE

Colonel Albert E. Humphreys

WE WELCOME YOU!



This company is glad to have you back with us again—Mexia is glad to have you back—this whole oil district is glad to have you back. In you we feel that we have a friend and unquestionably the greatest oil operator of the time.

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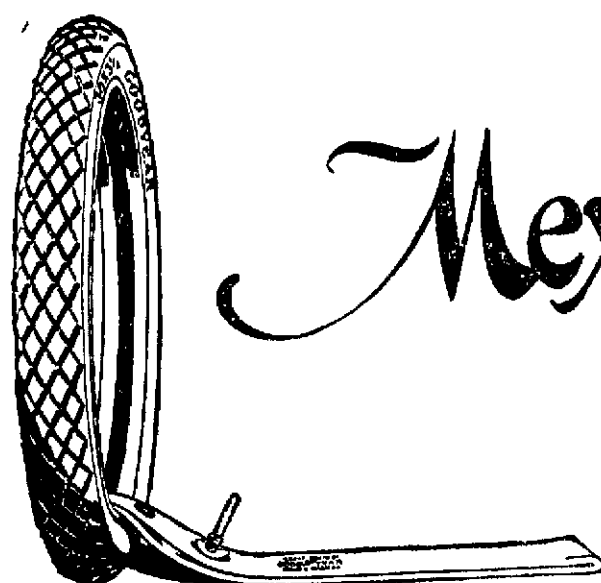
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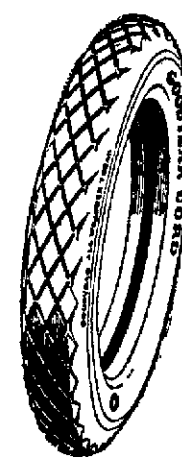
Welcome-Homecoming

COLONEL ALBERT E. HUMPHREYS--

We extend to you the welcoming hands of friends. Mexia is happy that you have returned and rejoices in your grand successes.



Mexia Battery & Tire Co., Inc.
Mexia, Texas



Colonel Humphreys—

We Welcome You
Back With Us!

WE extend to you the glad hand of this bank. It made our hearts leap with joy when we learned that you were returning to Mexia and bringing with you the offices of your company. You have meant a lot to us—first as a friend and citizen, and secondly, as a business man who has brought undreamed of prosperity to Mexia and our country.



Farmers State Bank

"The Big Friendly Bank"

TEXAS RAPIDLY ELIMINATING RAILROAD X-INGS

W. T. WHEELER,
Secretary, Texas Highway Association.

The tremendous increase in traffic on the public highways in the past few years, due to better facilities for rapid and satisfactory highway transport, has brought forth fresh problems which Federal and State officials, as well as public-spirited citizens generally, are now seeking solutions. Chief among these problems is the reduction and ultimate elimination of accidents on the ways, with particular reference to mishaps at railroad crossings.

One of the agencies attempting to cope with this situation is the Texas Council of Safety, the first general meeting of which will be held in Austin on December 4. Invitations to the meeting have been sent to hundreds of civic organizations throughout the State and indications are that it will be largely attended.

The Texas Highway association, one of the organizations invited to conference, was organized in 1922, one of its purposes being to make highway travel safe for the general public. It has given the problem considerable study, and will be represented at Austin by its president, W. E. Lea of Orange.

More than 2,000 persons were killed at grade crossings during 1923, according to statistics gathered from states where records of traffic accidents are kept, and several times this number were injured more or less seriously.

Different states have adopted different methods of abating this useless slaughter. Two have passed laws requiring all vehicles to come to a full stop before crossing a railroad track; others have adopted such safety measures as watchmen, gates, bells and lights and some consideration has been given the matter of requiring trains on unimportant lines to stop before crossing a heavily-traveled highway.

A study made by the Texas Highway Association shows that none of these methods are fool-proof and that, in fact, the only absolutely safe railroad crossing is no crossing at all.

Real strides have been made within the last few years in the elimination of grade crossings, nearly 4,000 having been done away with in the past seven years. It is estimated, however, that 10,000 still exist.

Texas has taken a leading part in this work, having eliminated 299 grade crossings from 1916 to 1923. This record is exceeded by only two states, Iowa, where 496 were done away with and North Carolina, where 315 were eliminated in the same period.

Of the crossings eliminated in Texas, 203 have been by the relocation of highways; 31 underpasses have been provided and 10 overhead passages constructed.

It is the view of the Texas Highway association, as voiced by its president, that the public highway has the right of way over the railroads, and that the responsibility of eliminating grade crossings rests as heavily upon the railroad as upon the general public; that the highways are a public necessity and convenience and that rail roads are operated for private gain.

This view is substantiated in an article in the current issue of American Highways (Washington), the official publication of the American Association of State Highway Officials, which says that "in considering the relationship between the county or state and the railroad authorities in the cost of railroad crossing eliminations, it must not be forgotten that in most cases the highways were located before the railroads were built. Highways had the right of way, but they were so miserable and the methods of travel were so slow that the railroads crossed them at will, and no one dreamed of future transportation developments. Besides, the first trains were stove-wooded, and often had to stop to get up steam if they blew a whistle.

But a Twentieth Century, Overland or Sunset Limited has brought increased highway crossing accidents, and court juries generally find for the deceased's relatives. Generally speaking, the railroad authorities recognize that the railroads should aid in grade-crossing eliminations, and justly recently the officials of the Western Maryland Highway Commission for its share in the cost of elimination of a certain grade crossing, expressed great satisfaction in the work accomplished and stated that this method was far more effective in the curtailment of the loss of life than could possibly be obtained by a recent order of the Interstate Commerce Commission requiring the railroads to equip all their engines with automatic train-control device. It is said that this change of equipment will cost the railroads of

CHARLIE CHAPLIN REPORTED ENGAGED.



CHARLIE CHAPLIN & LITA GREY.

Class 1 \$1,655,000,000, and they believe that this money expended on grade crossing eliminations will accomplish much more in the saving of life.

Cooperation of the public also is necessary in making effective any program of safety, and as the article quoted concludes, "state highway departments and city officials are making every effort to give service much beyond the mere service of construction and maintenance, but all their efforts are greatly discounted if the general public does not lend its hearty cooperation."

Miss Virginia Lee Carmen is spending the holidays here with her parents, from Kid-Key College at Sherman.

LONG LEGGED.

(By United Press)

DALLAS, Nov. 29.—Household hint. If you sleep with your feet in a window—keep the window up. Horace West, 18, was given emergency hospital treatment here for a badly gashed foot. Horace told physicians that he stretched out his leg while asleep and jammed it through a large window pane.

Judge A. M. Blackmon of Groesbeck was a Mexia visitor Friday.

NOTICE.

Eastern Star meets in Masonic Hall Monday night at 7:30. Important meeting, all visitors welcome. Mrs. Oscar Denning, W. M.

Too Late To Classify

FOR SALE—Three vacant lots near Cotton Mill, all south front, one a corner. N. P. HOUN, owner, at News office. 30-1

FOR RENT—Room to two gentlemen with all conveniences, adjoining garage, phone 117, 301 North Ross. 30-3

FOR SALE—Nice five room house, all conveniences, at 818 E. Sumpter, see A. W. Bonner at W. A. Jackson Co. 30-7

WANTED—Girls, good clean, healthy, work. New Way Laundry, phone 399. 29-A-7

ROOM AND BOARD for couples, excellent well cooked meal in private home. MRS. J. W. LANNING, phone 611W, 212 South Canton. 30-8

FOR RENT—Two furnished rooms for four men. Lights, water and gas, private entrance. 729 E. Palestine St. Corner Palestine and Kennedy Sts. 29-K-1

FOR RENT—One two room, one three room apartment and desirable bed room to rent, 109 E. Rusk, near Sherman. 29-L-1

FOR RENT—Nicely furnished room with private bath. Hot and cold water. Preferably two men. 507 S. Canton St. Phone 98-J. 30-9

FOR RENT—Large bedroom, with closet, five windows, adjoining bath, gas and all modern conveniences. 835 E. Commerce. 29-L1

POSITION WANTED temporarily or permanently by A1 stenographer. 1 years experience. Local references also reference from nationally known firm. Call 112W. 29-B1

FOR RENT—2 rooms, furnished, with bath, for men or light house-keeping. 503 S. Kaufman. Mrs. H. G. Cochran. 30-L2

SHIPMENT NEW CROP NUTS—Just received. The 1924 almonds and pecans we have just received are of very fine quality. Call for BAXTERS in 10c bags or bulk at all stores. Baxter Candy Factory, Inc. 30-F2

FOR RENT—Nicely furnished bed room and garage, close in, call 346W. 30-L3

FOR RENT — Southeast sleeping room in private home. Extra large room over garage, twin beds, all conveniences, close in on pavement. Men preferred. MRS. G. W. PERKINS, 409 E. Carthage. 30-K3

FOR RENT — Three furnished rooms, see W. H. HART, at Wilson & Beaver. 30-7

FOR RENT—Two nice rooms for light house keeping, modern conveniences, 412 E. Palestine. 30-2

FOR SALE—Gates apartments, 35 rooms in best part of town, 834 E. Commerce Street, owner here for few days will sell these apartments completely furnished, 75 feet paid paving and all so you can double your money, call 633, ask for Jamison. 29-J1

FOR SALE CHEAP—8 room house, close in, corner lot, pavement on both sides, all modern conveniences. See T. F. Morrow, Economy Filling Station, Phone 420. 30-7

FOR RENT—Two rooms furnished apartment, hot and cold water, lights and gas, 712 East Titus St. 30-8

FOR SALE—Four room house and lot with garage, lot 50x115 feet. One block east of Ross Avenue. Price \$750 cash. See REID PARTLOW at V. Wolverton Co. 30-9

FOR SALE BY OWNER—163 1/2 acres black land one mile east city limits of Temple; well improved with two story residence, large barn, minor out buildings and fences; 150 acres cultivation balance pasture; inexhaustible water supply and thirty to forty acres could be put under irrigation at small expense; price \$200 per acre. Address Jno. E. Daniel, Temple, Texas. 30-F7

FOR RENT—Nice rooms with all conveniences for couple. Call at 801 East Main St. 30-L3

FOR SALE—Cheap and liberal terms, unimproved brick business house at 204 E. Main St., Mexia, Texas. Will exchange for Dallas property. Address owner, L. O. Robertson, 1207 So. Akard St., Dallas, Texas. 30-L4

FOR RENT—Nicely furnished rooms Phone 764-W or apply 205 So. Kaufman. 30-L3

FOR RENT—Bed rooms to rent, will accommodate four or six men. Hot and cold water, close in on pavement, telephone 140 or 372, 502 E. Main. 29-L-7

SAWS FIELDED; meat saws a specialty. Grind knives and scissors. Hone razors. J. E. Far, 731 S. Bonham St. All work first class. 30-L2

ORDER your hand made Christmas presents, and sewing a specialty. On all fancy and neat work. Mrs. Billie Grey, Phone 446-J. 30-P3

FOR SALE—Pure bred Cornish game chickens; also Dorcas Regal, White Wyandotte chickens. Prices are reasonable. Mexia route 3, box 80. Phone, Tehuacana. Mrs. Marsac. 30-J1

I AM IN THE MARKET for Boyd Oil Company, J. K. Hughes Developing Company and E. L. Smith Oil Company stock. Wire me your price. Josse McLendon, Mexia. 30-F7

TO-- Colonel Humphreys

Texas furnishes an inviting field for achievement and your presence with us again, is a tribute to Mexia recognized by all. Rich and poor, black and white, the professional man and member of the growing tin bucket brigade, the producers, the consumers, we all cordially welcome you.

J. K. HUGHES

Mexia's Great "WILDCATTER" Comes Home

And we extend our hands in a glad welcome to you—

COLONEL ALBERT E. HUMPHREYS

J. K. HUGHES

DEVELOPING COMPANY.





The
E. L. SMITH OIL COMPANY
TAKES GREAT PLEASURE IN



Welcoming You Colonel Albert E. Humphreys Back To Mexia

We also take this opportunity to extend to you our heartiest congratulations on your success in bringing in another Wildcat Oil Gusher, thus opening up a new field and bringing untold prosperity to Wortham, this city, and this section of Texas.

WE
Welcome You
Colonel
Humphreys

**BACK TO THE TOWN FOR WHICH
YOU DID SO MUCH!**

*We congratulate you upon your success in the
Mexia-Wortham Field and hope you will bring
in many more "Wildcats."*

BEGINNING TODAY
HUMBLE OIL and GAS WILL
BE SOLD AT THIS STATION



Service Insurance
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*Look For This Sign
at Filling Stations*

Humble Oil & Refining Company

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Main and McKinney Streets

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JUDGE BELL HERE FOR RAILROAD COMMISSION

Community Chest Fund Campaign Yet Being Raised

LIBERAL GIFTS AND ALL OTHERS ARE APPRECIATED

The latest report from the Community Chest shows that the needed fund of \$6500.00 to support Charity, Red Cross, the library, and the Salvation Army is still over one thousand dollars in excess of the total subscriptions to date. Many very liberal gifts have been secured but a great many people have failed to give an adequate pledge. The Community Chest covers four worthy movements which will certainly suffer unless the citizens rally and cooperate to complete the campaign.

An unprecedented situation has existed in Mexia for the last few days making it a hard time to secure volunteers to work the districts. But with the swelling of the wealth of Mexia will come a greater need than ever for the work supported by the Community Chest. Mexia must not fail her children, her poor, her Red Cross and her Salvation Army. Let us rally and complete the campaign. The chest would likely have been filled before but due to the excitement of the new oil discovery, the public mind has been diverted from the movement. Rev. V. K. Aubrey, Chairman, urges the need of finishing promptly.

DRY HOLES HELP IN LOCATING NEW FIELD

Old timers in Wortham recall that several years ago, a good showing of oil was reported in the Shankle and Hildreth wildcat test on the R. G. Puerfoy, located one mile due East of Wortham. It is generally believed that this spot marks the ragged edge of the east side of the Wortham structure. Trapshooter Reilly also wildcatted in the district about a mile North-east, drilling its Mary Crouch 1, which proved dry at a depth of 3220 feet. This is conceded by many to be the West side of the fault. The dry holes are only about one mile apart, and the new field is trending in between these two failures.

To Promote Tick Eradication

(By United Press)
SAN ANTONIO, Nov. 29.—Letters have been sent to representative cattlemen, legislators, county judges, members of commissioners courts and other prominent citizens of the state asking them to convene here on Dec. 3 to discuss plans for tick eradication during the administration of Mrs. Miriam A. Ferguson.

Humphreys Building Being Placed In Shape Rapidly For Boyd Oil Company—Main and Sherman Sts.

Work is going forward rapidly on preparing the Humphreys Building for the headquarters of the Boyd Oil Company. The orders from Colonel A. E. Humphreys are to fix them up just like they were before. By Thursday, if not earlier, the work will have been completed, with the exception that the paint will not be dry. The building is well arranged for offices which are large, well ventilated and due to the arrangement especially designed for various departments of an oil company, the work of preparing the place rapidly was made possible. Colonel Humphreys will occupy his same suite, Number 5.

The Engineering Department has already begun to establish headquarters in the building, desks, chairs, boards and furniture needed being located for the present for this department in the Northwest corner of the building. The building is located on the Southeast corner of Main and Sherman Streets.

Operators Lease District Prior To New Discovery

The new Mexia Wortham oil field presented several unusual aspects, it is pointed out daily. One of the most interesting is the fact that in this instance the lease speculator had practically completed his work before the field was discovered and by the time the first well was in, the leases were held largely by operators and companies who expect to hold what they have and develop as rapidly as subsequent showings warrant.

PURE PRESIDENT B. G. DAWES IS ON BUSINESS TRIP HERE

B. G. Dawes, president of the Pure Oil Company, and brother of the Vice President elect of the United States, Charles G. Dawes, of Columbus, Ohio, reached Mexia at noon Saturday. He will meet with other officials of the company while on this tour of inspection of their properties in Texas. The Pure Oil Company holds some of its most valuable producing properties in the Mexia oil field, having purchased the Old Humphreys Oil Company's holdings here. Since its establishment in Mexia, the company has also secured producing property in other Balcones Mexia fault pools and has a number of leases in the new oil field Northeast.

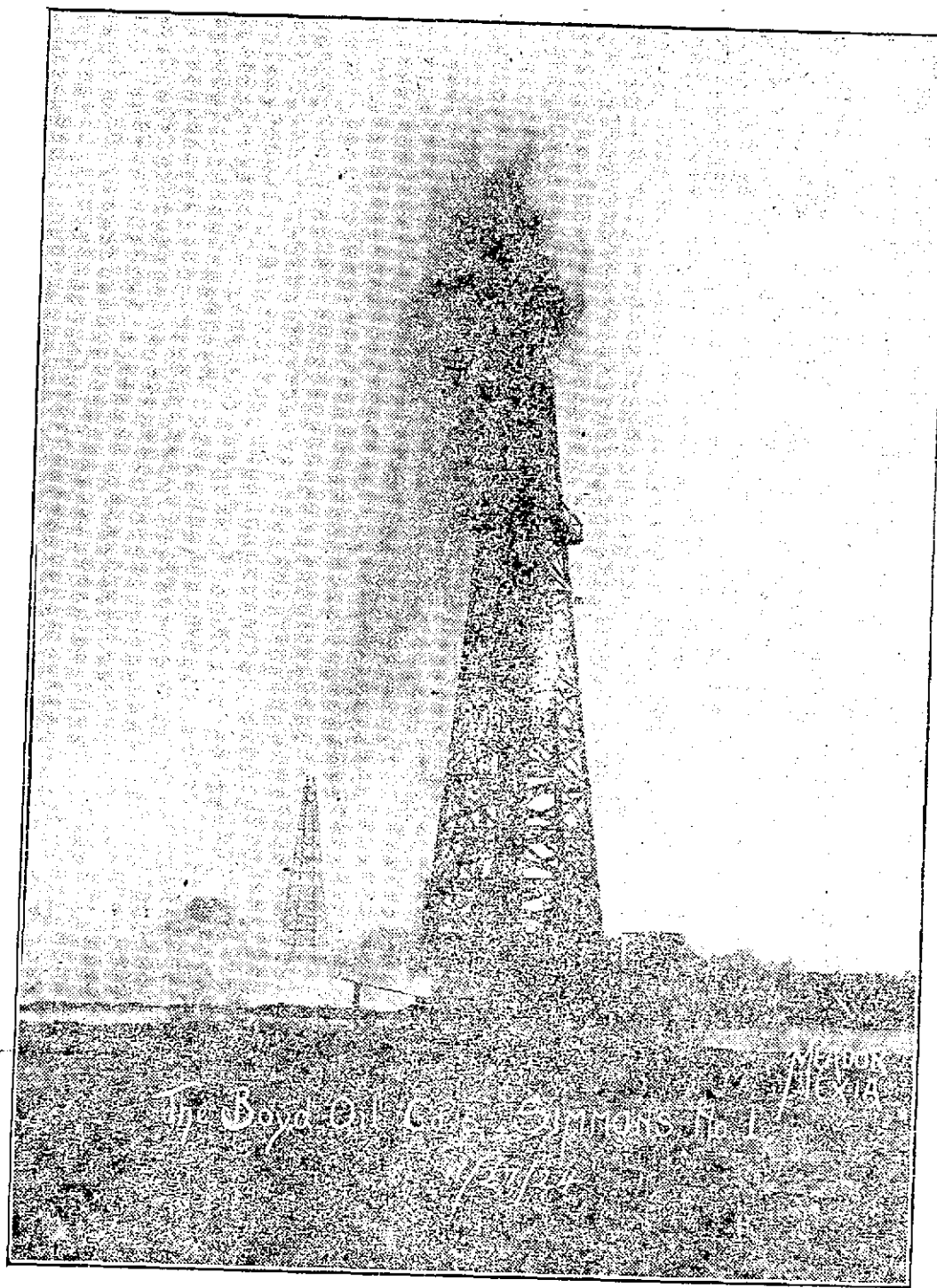
Giant Cunarder Goes To Aid Of Distressed Ship

(By United Press)
NEW YORK, Nov. 29.—The giant Cunarder Berengaria, which sailed Wednesday for Southampton, sped today to the assistance of the Italian steamship Castel Porziano, which is in distress in mid-Atlantic, according to wireless messages received here.

FURTHER TAX REDUCTION NOT TO BE ATTEMPTED

(By United Press)
WASHINGTON, Nov. 29.—Further tax reduction will not be attempted until next year, Chairman Smoot of the Senate Finance Committee, announced. Smoot said he would withhold the resolutions for a flat 25 per cent reduction at this session of congress. All republican leaders are in accord.

Freestone County's First Oil Producer



First wildcat ever offset before in; first wildcat to which Transcontinental pipe line connections were laid before a barrel of oil was sighted; first wildcat whose production was en route to market within a few minutes after coming in,—coming in Turkey Day gushing at the rate of 12,000 barrels daily.

White Youths Are Burned to Death

(By United Press)
HOUSTON, Tex., Nov. 29.—Two unidentified white youths burned to death in the little sheet iron lined jail at Katy, near here last night, were being held in a local morgue here for identification today.

Arrested by Deputy Sheriff W. J. Anderson as they dropped from an M. K. & T. freight train Friday night, the two boys were lodged in the small frame building. Both refused to give their names. Persons living near the jail, located on the outskirts of town, heard the screams of the youths as they perished in the iron enclosed cauldron but thought nothing of it until flames broke through the roof of the structure.

When the door was forced open both boys were found dead lying face down on the floor of the cell.

A layer of shavings and excelsior several inches thick covered the floor of the cell. It is believed this became ignited and the youths awakened too late to extinguish the flames.

There were no marks of identification in the clothing of the two victims.

Harris county officers were conducting an investigation today.

NEW OIL FIELD MAY BE FOUND EAST OF CURRIE IN FREESTONE

Dearing and Son are reported to be drilling a wildcat east of Currie about two miles. The test is understood to have struck eight feet of sand at 726 feet, but water broke in and drilling was continued. The eight feet was said to have been commercially profitable. It is reported to be logging about the same as the Currie pool producers, with the exception that everything is higher.

BAPTIST YOUNG PEOPLE MEET IN WACO IN 1925 MEET

(By United Press)
FORT WORTH, Nov. 29.—Waco will be host to the 1925 convention of the Texas Baptist Young People's Union.

The annual assembly closed here last night after electing Robert Jolly, Houston, President, and selecting Waco for the next convocation. Other officers elected were: Olivia Smith, Corsicana, corresponding secretary; J. F. Barnett, Palacios, treasurer; John Wolf, Palacios, business manager; Vice presidents, Rev. W. A. Knight, Laredo; W. P. Clements, Plainview; Mrs. Forest Teveto, Sherman; Louis Dunn, Houston; Rev. Byron Smith, Palestine; Rev. W. C. Moffett, Georgetown.

STATE TEACHERS ASSN. ELECT NEW OFFICERS

(By United Press)
SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Nov. 29. Leo Clark, superintendent of schools at Gainesville, was elected president of the State Teachers Association. E. K. Bard of Livingston, first vice president, Mary Nash of Kaufman, second and Steele Cole of Ft. Worth, third.

A BIGGER AND BETTER MEXIA.

The new oil pool means a bigger Mexia because it will bring increased prosperity to the people, but does it mean a better Mexia? The answer to that question is found in the Churches of the city. Material prosperity with God left out is always a curse rather than a blessing. Go to Church and worship God. The greatest asset Mexia has is the Church.

Harding-Hughes Plan In Danger

(By United Press)
WASHINGTON, Nov. 29.—The Harding-Hughes world court proposal is doomed unless republican senators are forced under pressure to change their minds, Senator Swanson of the Foreign Relations Committee said. He said the democrats are awaiting the republican move.

BRITISH FORCES BOMBARDED REBELS

(By United Press)
CAIRO, Nov. 29.—British forces were forced to bombard the military hospital at Khartoum before the last of the Soudanese surrendered. Survivors surrendered after the building in which they took refuge and the hospital were bombarded by British field pieces. One hundred and thirty one shells ignited the hospital. Soudanese had held out 21 hours, fighting stubbornly.

KATE NORWOOD PRESIDENT

(By United Press)
SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Nov. 29.—Kate Norwood of Austin was elected president of the Grade Teachers Association.

Penn McCorkle 1 Looks Good Hits Oil Sand at 2903

The Penn McCorkle hit the first showing of oil at Woodbine depths at 2903 feet. This is the same depth at which the gas showing became so apparent in the Boyd Oil Company's Simmons 1, and where the casing has been set in both instances.

The prospects have been so bright for several days, the log running true to form, that it is definitely agreed in the minds of most operators that the trend is Eastward. Deals of large proportions took place Saturday, when casing was ready to be set in the immediate vicinity of the well.

MASTER MIND IN BIG ROBBERY GIVEN 25 YEARS

(By United Press)
CHICAGO, Nov. 29.—William J. Fahy, "ace of postal inspectors," was sentenced 25 years, Atlanta prison. In the federal court he was charged with plotting the two million dollar robbery of the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul train at Rondout, Illinois.

James Murray, Chicago politician, was given the same sentence. The pair was convicted by a jury on testimony of Fahy's associate inspectors. Other members of the gang will be sentenced Monday. They include Brent Glasscock of Chicago director of looting, Herbert Holiday of Kansas City, Joe, Jesse, Willis and Wylie Newton of Dallas. Of the loot \$1,100,000 was recovered. The robbery occurred June 12.

Thirty Derricks Go Up In Two Days In New Oil District

Thirty derricks in two days. That's what's what that's happened around Wortham and around the Boyd 1, in the Mexia end of the field, since Thursday. There's 300 more derricks on paper, too, waiting for the lumber. With the completion of the Penn McCorkle the field, with only three wells in, will have been proven to extend for nearly four miles Northeast by Southwest, room for several hundred wells; as the fields around here generally run.

Lumber is the only handicap now.

CONFESSED MURDERER GETS SUSPENDED SENTENCE

(By United Press)
SAN SABA, Texas, Nov. 29.—Mrs. Pearl Curry, alleged confessed slayer of her infant son, whose body was found in an ash pile in rear of a hotel here last August, was found guilty by a jury that recommended a three years suspended sentence.

PRESIDENT SEES BIG GAME

(By United Press)
BALTIMORE, Nov. 29.—President Coolidge and party arrived here to witness the army-navy football game.

OFFICE OPENED WITH LOCKE IN C. OF C. ROOMS

Judge H. E. Bell of the oil and gas division of the Texas Railroad Commission returned to Mexia Saturday from Austin, after having spent the past three days in the commission's offices in the Capitol City.

He established headquarters in the office with John R. Locke, permanent representative of the division in the Mexia, Wortham, Currie, Richland and Powell oil fields, which office is located in the Chamber of Commerce rooms in the City Hall. Mr. Bell spent a few days here the early part of the week, going over the problems met with in the new Mexia Wortham territory, spending much time at Wortham. He is in the field to give all possible cooperation to the citizens and the oil fraternity in the matter of locations involved by exceptions sought to rule 37. He will be in the field and office both.

They are anxious to render the service now needed and so Judge Bell has come direct to the district, where he may be interviewed with little loss of time and at the instant a problem comes up.

The Chamber of Commerce rooms are on the second floor of the City Hall, southwest corner of Main and McKinney streets. The phone number is 81.

GEN. PERSHING WANTS BIGGER AIR SERVICE

(By United Press)
WASHINGTON, Nov. 29.—An enlarged air service is a vital need of the army, General Pershing declared in his final report as chief of staff, to the secretary of war. Pershing proposed to increase the regular army to 150,000. He said the infantry is still the backbone of attack, and that other branches of the service should be subsidiary.

Forbes Trial Is Now On

(By United Press)
CHICAGO, Nov. 29.—The first government witnesses against Charles R. Forbes, Veterans Bureau chief, and John W. Thompson, St. Louis contractor, indicted for defrauding the government in the construction of veterans hospitals, were called in the federal court today. Forbes attorneys said they would prove the defendants innocent victims.

Dallas Thieves Take Anything

(By United Press)
DALLAS, Nov. 29.—"I'll take all the pictures wanted and ask no question," was the offer of G. A. McAfee, Dallas Journal Staff Photographer, in a newspaper notice following the disappearance of his camera, plates and other photo equipment valued at \$500.

Former Newspaper Man To Drill In Next Well In New Territory Looming as In New Oil Field

R. R. Penn McCorkle 1, just outside of the city limits of Wortham to the East, set casing today. Mr. Penn stated that everything had gone forward without any delay. It will be the next well drilled in within the new territory. Casing was set at around 2700 feet. The well hit the Austin Chalk at 2203 feet and left it at 2542, since which time leases have been active and drilling operations have been rushed in that part of the prospective pool. It is looked upon as certain for production by many of the fraternity, who have been ready to place their money in leases and royalties near there, as a further expression of their confidence. Mr. Penn is an old newspaper man, having been with the Dallas News for years and has many friends over the states, who are hoping for him to get a gusher.

THE WEATHER.

Texas—Generally fair and warm.

Bexar Archives At University Attract Many

AUSTIN, Texas, Nov. 29.—Many visitors as well as regular students of the University of Texas regularly inspect the Bexar Archives in the University Library. These archives, a collection of documents in manuscript, belonged to the Texas Republic. The Mexican-Texas capital was located at San Antonio, and as the American-Texas capital was never located there, the archives passed into the possession of Bexar County. They became the property of the University of Texas in 1900.

When the documents were given to the University they were arranged, and catalogued and many were indexed or copied. In cataloging them it was found that some records had been lost from the files in the course of time. The University took up the work of filing in these blanks. Quite a number of documents relating to land titles and church records were kept in San Antonio. These were also catalogued and the most important ones of them from a historical point of view were copied.

From the Nacogdoches archives at the State Library a number of reports were catalogued in the University files. Others have been gathered from the archives of Mexico and Spain, so that the collection is now practically complete. It is easy for a student to find any document pertaining to Texas history. If the original is not there, the subject of it is there in good form.

This collection has the history of Texas up until 1835 and is therefore very valuable from the standpoint of historical record. Until 1838 the Archives of Bexar had not been given any special notice by the State. At that time Lester G. Bugbee wrote a description of the documents and had it published in one of the San Antonio papers.

In addition to the Bexar Archives, consisting mainly of original manuscripts collected at San Antonio between 1799 and 1836 and dealing with every phase of Spanish and Mexican Texas, the University has other material of special interest to Texas. There are some 60,000 transcripts from the archives of Mexico and Spain; the Austin papers, comprising the correspondence of Moses and Stephen F. Austin; the Anthony Butler papers; the Ashbel Smith papers; the O. M. Roberts papers; the Maverick papers; the Throckmorton papers; the Stout papers; and the Ben. C. Franklin papers.

To Hunt Wild Game In United States

(By United Press)

CHICAGO, Nov. 29.—Incorporation papers filed by the Pacific Coast Sportsmen's Club at Sacramento insure the establishment of a unique hunting preserve in California, according to an announcement here by the chairman of the board of directors.

The most interesting feature of the club will be a 20,000 acre park of wild land enclosed with a safety fence of iron wire and stocked with African lions, Bengal tigers and other carnivorous varieties of dangerous big game.

Purchase of 50,000 acres within a few hours' motor drive of Los Angeles is being completed. The club holds options on this land and these will be closed as quickly as possible. Membership will be limited to 4,000. Plans will be worked out rapidly and there seems now little doubt that the club will open its gates next September.

A club house costing \$250,000 with groups of cottages will be erected and the club will be equipped for golf, polo, tennis, archery, swimming, fishing, and shooting. The game will include ducks, geese, pheasants, wild turkeys, deer, elk, buffalo, bears, lions, tigers, leopards and American mountain lions.

CENTRALIZATION.

(By United Press)

WASHINGTON, Nov. 24.—Government hospitalization activities have been centralized by Executive order under the Federal Board of Hospitalization. The cooperative combination includes the hitherto separate work of the Medical Department of the Army, the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery of the Navy, the Public Health Service, St. Elizabeth's Hospital, the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, the office of the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, and U. S. Veterans' Bureau.

The various Missionary Societies of these organizations to feel free regular meetings on Monday afternoon. The ladies who have recently moved here are issued a cordial invitation by the President of all of these organizations to feel free to come to every meeting and they are assured a cordial welcome.

Judge J. A. Elkins is suffering from what he thinks is a slight attack of ptomaine poison and has been confined to his bed in the home of R. A. Shepherd.

DISTRICT COURT DOCKET

Third Assignment—Monday; Second Week, December 8th

4592 L. L. Steele vs. Massachusetts Bonding Co. (jury).

3287 Colyer Hearn vs. M. V. Hill.

3296 Geo. E. Smith vs. National Supply Co. of Texas.

3312 Earl Halliburton vs. Jackson-Wofford & Richardson.

3332 F. M. Cundieff vs. Will Sanders.

3441 Haesh Shoe Company vs. W. R. Sherrod.

3544 J. B. Wofford vs. J. B. Harris Trustee, et al.

3392 U. S. Tex Oil Corp. vs. Cal-Tex Oil Co., et al.

3396 J. R. Neece Lumber Co. vs. Lang & Company.

3400 Albert Pinkard vs. Joseph & Julius Nussbaum.

3401 J. S. Southerland vs. Wilcox Oil & Gas Co.

3404 M. L. Moore vs. Western Producing & Drilling Co.

3405 O. F. Pitts et ux vs. S. O. Apple.

3407 Mrs. Isabella McKenzie vs. Miss Jim Sadler.

3413 Southern Steel Co. vs. Lee C. Brown et al.

3424 Arthur Collins vs. Jos. Danciger and 1st Nat'l Bank of Kosse.

3433 J. R. Neece Lumber Co. vs. Farmers State Bank of Mexia, guaranteee.

3472 J. W. Pyburn vs. H. R. Dyer.

3505 J. M. Edwards vs. Adamson Oil & Gas Co.

3510 Bewley Mills vs. T. A. Phillips et al.

3515 F. E. Ginn vs. Globe Indemnity Co., et al.

3522 Bradford Supply Co. vs. G. W. McElhinney et al.

Got His Coat And Ten Days

(By United Press)

DALLAS, Nov. 29.—"Hey, gimme my coat" barked a pathetic voice from vagrants row in police court here.

"Be quiet" snapped a court bailiff.

"But I want my coat" protested the short sleeved individual, who was waiting the pleasure of Hinzoner.

A cop intervened and was informed that the prisoner "at the bar" was wearing a coat purloined from the coatless individual, while the two were reposing in the hold-over the night before. The coat was returned to its rightful owner, who drew a ten-day term on the roads.

Texans Pay Big Income Taxes

(By United Press)

AUSTIN, Nov. 25.—Although the city population of the northern half of the state is greater than the southern half, residents in the latter half paid approximately \$2,000,000 more in income taxes than did their northern neighbors.

Police Department Ready to Meet The Needs Of The Day

Chief of Police Albert Mace is much pleased with the little lawlessness that has followed the oil rush of the week. His department is on the job, day and night, prepared to cope with any situation. Unlike the boom period of 1921, the Mexia police force is well organized, flexible, so as to add deputies anytime the emergency demands, and Mr. Mace is determined to give the law abiding citizenship the protection that the time demands.

He urges that every precaution be taken by citizens, so as not to encourage lawlessness.

About \$19,000,000 was contributed to Uncle Sam's income tax coffers by the entire state.

Mrs. Sam Cox, a former University of Texas student, was a spectator at the Texas and A. and M. Turkey Day game.

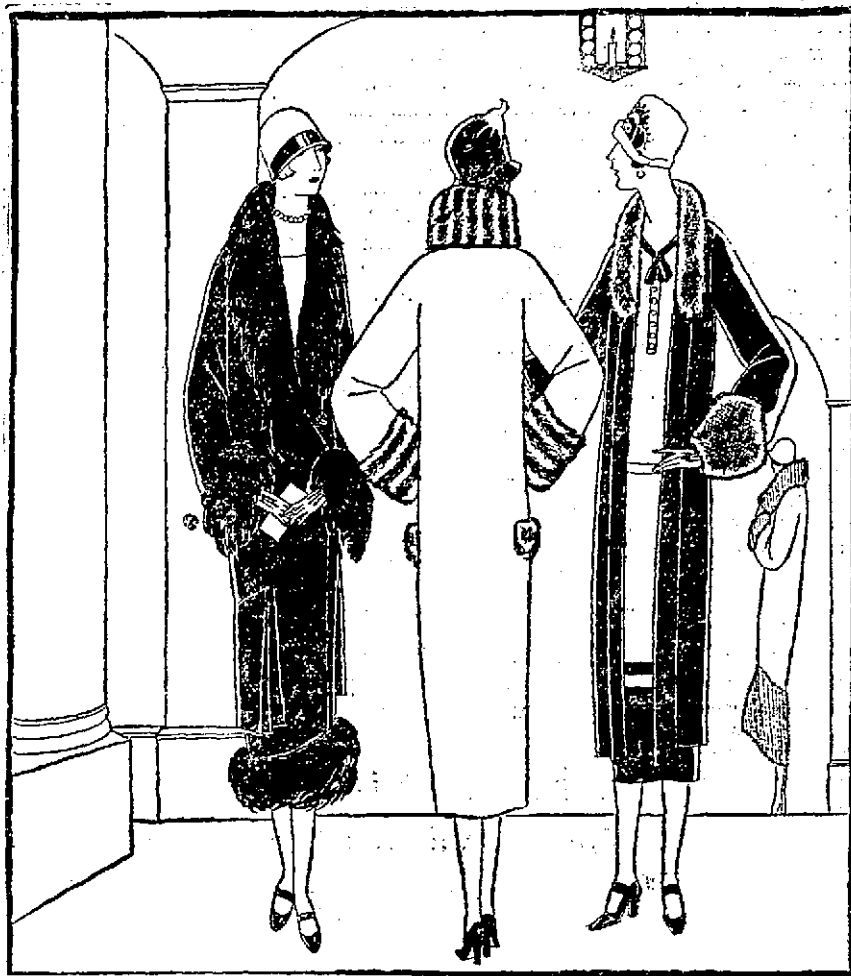
Miss Elsie Desenberg, president of the Texas Exes Association, in this city was a visitor to Austin Thursday.

NOTICE TO MEN.

The Young Men's Class of the First Methodist church extends to every man in this city and community a cordial invitation to come and study today's lesson with them.

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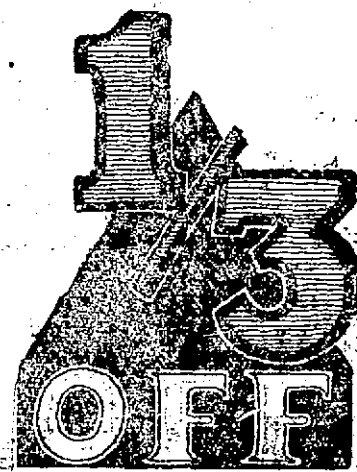
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THANKSGIVING IS OBSERVED WITH PROGRAM AT MEXIA HIGH

One of the best programs of the season was presented at the Mexia High School on Wednesday, November 26.

The occasion for the special program was the beginning of the Thanksgiving holidays, and those taking part were T. W. Archer, cornet soloists, accompanied by Mrs. Blake Smith, the High School Glee club, under the direction of Mrs. E. M. Strange; T. O. Lee, Vice-President of T. W. C. in Ft. Worth and A. Garland Adair of the Mexia Daily News.

The musical numbers were heartily enjoyed by the audience and reflected most favorably by the talent of the performers and their directors. Both Mr. Archer and the Glee Club responded to encores.

Mr. Lee spoke briefly, holding the attention of the hearers with his account of the development of education for girls and the importance of women in the world today. He mentioned Texas Woman's College and issued a general invitation to Mexia people to visit the institution.

The main speaker of the program was A. Garland Adair who was introduced by Principal Andrews as follows: "It gives me great pleasure to introduce next a man who has often been referred to as Mexia's Henry Grady, a man of courage, character and eloquence, Mr. Garland Adair."

He was received with enthusiasm by the students. Mr. Adair's address very ably combined the theme of Thanksgiving with that of Patriotism. Stating that our country and what it stands for should be the chief and best reason for any American's Thanksgiving, he further brought out the idea that every boy and girl owes his country a great deal. Each individual is a flag maker, stated Mr. Adair, and it is as true now as it ever was that "No man liveth unto himself nor dieth unto himself."

Close attention was given Mr. Adair during his address and he was applauded wildly at the informal conclusion in which he wished "the best of luck for the Black Cats in the game tomorrow."

GAS IS SEEN AS THE COMING UNIVERSAL FUEL

Advocates of fuel conservation look forward to the day when science will make it possible to burn little if any coal in its raw state to produce heat.

It is acknowledged that the use of fuel oil for heating will be limited, as the petroleum resources of the country diminish and the demand for more intensive refining of the crude product is increased. A well known writer on industrial subjects says that eventually, and perhaps sooner than we expect, those consumers of heat now using the oil will be compelled to turn to gas, and, he adds:

"Here alone is a future demand for more heat units than our entire gas industry now produces and sells for all purposes."

Dr. Billy Buckner came down from his dental studies at Dallas to eat Thanksgiving dinner with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Buckner.

Mexia Ladies Are Honored In Home Of Mrs. John Sweatt On Tuesday Afternoon With Many Paying Respects

At the home of Mrs. John Sweatt on Tuesday from 3 to 5 Mesdames Sweatt, Huchingson and Hickman entertained with a tea complimentary to Mesdames Allison, Stevens and Forrest who are leaving the city in the near future to make their home elsewhere.

The afternoon was a bright, crisp one of the autumn season and the entertaining suite of the Sweatt home was never lovelier than on this occasion. The entire lower floor was thrown together and with its shaded lights, exquisite flowers and always handsome furnishings was an ideal setting for the lovely group of ladies composing the house party. In the living and music rooms the colors yellow and white, predominated, with a lavish use of chrysanthemums. In the dining room, pink carnations and yellow chrysanthemums vied in beauty for prominence and the sun parlor was fresh and bright with carnations and numerous ferns.

In the receiving line were the hostesses of the occasion with the honorees, all gowned in most handsome evening gowns. Two charming little girls, Misses Elizabeth Stevens and Francis Elaine King, held silver trays for the cards of the guests, the guests passing on to the dining room where tea was poured by Miss Elsie Desenberg

and Mrs. Zeno King, at a beautifully assembled table. Served with the tea was a palatable plate of chicken and cheese sandwiches, salted almonds, pink and white mints and french pastry.

Passing on through the sun room the guests were entertained in the music room with a program that was an added delight of the afternoon. Readings, vocal solos, piano solos and piano and violin being most artistically rendered by such excellent performers as Misses Lucella Francis Chatham, Mary Edith Forrest, Anita Ledbetter, Mesdames E. M. Strange, Haston, Blake Smith, Needham and George Stubbs and Misses Anna McCloud and Bill Wright of Wortham. A constant stream of callers enjoyed this affair of social prominence, attesting the popularity of the honorees and hostesses. The house party of beautifully gowned ladies included: Mesdames J. K. Hughes, Jess Mc-Lendon, Bishop of Hubbard City, Jack Womack, Banks of Temple, George Peyton, Gene Sinclair, Ben Howard, Roland Gardner, Duke Pittman, Roscoe Cook, Clay Freeman, Lennie Metcalf, Goolsby, Blake Smith, Ben Smith, Nelson Forrest, J. W. Elliott, Sam Cox, Marion Brown, E. L. Smith, Walter Boyd and Gray Forrest.

Presbyterians In Limestone County Interested in Church Wide Program For Sunday, December Fourteenth

Presbyterians in Limestone County are very much interested in a Church-Wide Program for Sunday, December 14th at which time a cash offering will be taken according to the plan of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in every Presbyterian Church in the South, for additional and improved equipment in the Home and Foreign Mission Fields.

The plan adopted this year is for each congregation to be asked to accept in connection with this Equipment Fund the following causes: Foreign Mission Fields—Missionary Dwelling House at Tokushima Japan Home Mission Fields, Mexican Church at Waco, Texas.

The churches in this county asked to participate in this program with their pastors are: 1st Church, Mexia, Rev. E. H. Hudson and Groesbeck Church, Groesbeck Rev. W. S. Red.

The Equipment Fund is set up by the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States to cover a ten year period and the plan is to raise \$500,000 per year. Other Presbyterian Churches in the different Counties have also been requested to accept appropriate causes.

The Young Peoples' or Christian Endeavor Societies in all of the Presbyterian Churches are asked to accept as their own particular causes, For Foreign Missions, Girl's School, Kwangju, Korea; For Home Missions, Beechwood Seminary, Heidelberg, Ky.

The Presbyterians in this County have shown a co-operative spirit in the great programs set up by the General Assembly's Committees of the Presbyterian Church, and

their participation in this Equipment Fund, will doubtless be in keeping with their reputation along these lines.

MEXIA SCHOOLS WELL REPRESENTED AT MEET

The Mexia Public schools were well represented at the State Teachers Association meeting at San Antonio Thursday and Friday. Among those attending were Misses A. E. Whittaker, L. Greene, R. Wells and E. Scheel, and Superintendent C. A. Puckett and Principal Roy M. Andrews of the High School.

Walter Jackson was a visitor from Corsicana Thanksgiving day.

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Mexia Odd Fellows Have Home Coming Of Much Interest

On the evening of November the 25th the Odd Fellows Lodge of Mexia celebrated their first homecoming. This event is looked forward to each year, as a way to draw the brothers who have been off in some distant city and could not attend regularly a chance to come and meet with the lodge on this occasion.

There were about 100 present and good talks were heard by several distinguished visitors among them Mr. J. L. Day of Goresbeck, W. P. Harris of Teague, W. E. Arledge of Montague and others. The initiatory degree was conferred by the Lodge on several candidates. Quite a bit of amusement was pulled off and we believe the best yet was when Bro. H. A. Porter in his Jew makeup took the floor. That brother is an artist in this line. We have a very desirable meeting

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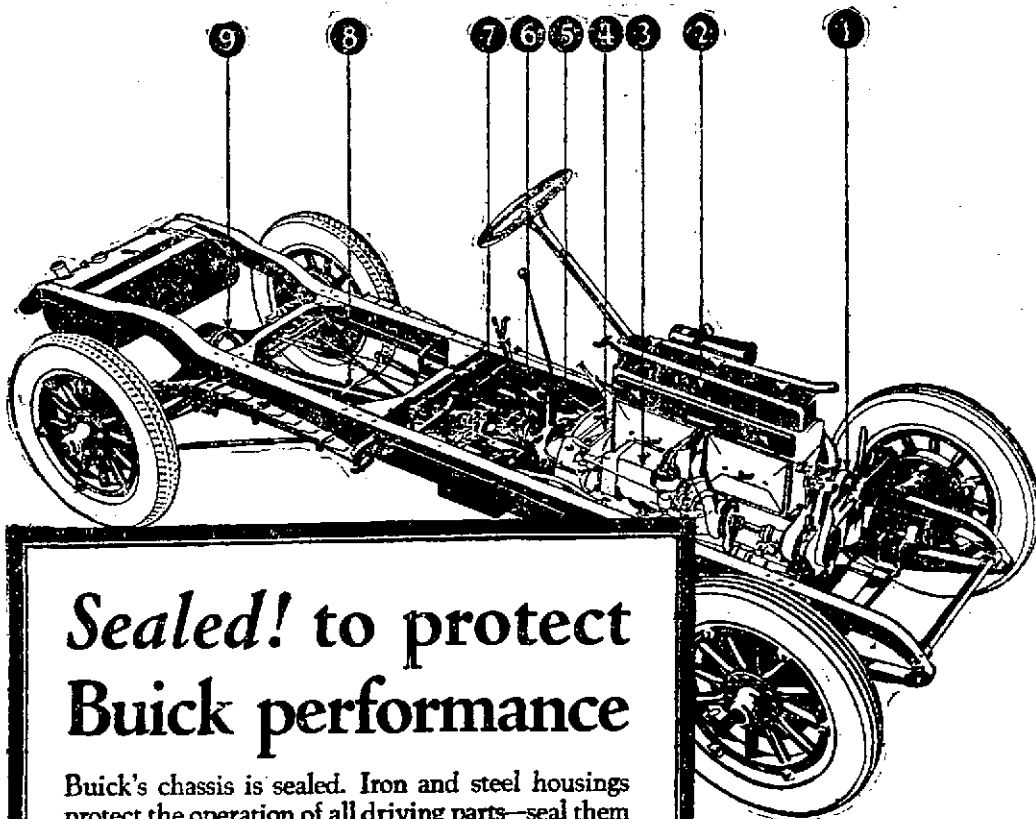
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Refreshments were served by the lodge and all the brothers that missed this meeting certainly missed the time of the year.

The encampment degrees will be conferred in Mexia on the night of Dec. 10 all desiring to get in on this communicate with the secretary of the subordinate lodge.

Mr. Caulfield, Staff Correspondent of The Waco News Tribune, spent Saturday in Mexia and Wortham.

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THE NEWS' PROGRAM FOR 1924-25

- (1) A government by law. (2) A bigger tin bucket brigade. (3) Conservation of gas and other natural resources, with a view of offering industries cheaper fuel rates. (4) Storage for an adequate reserve water supply in Mexia. (5) Adequate fire equipment to meet growing needs in a growing city. (6) More paved roads leading into Mexia and all down town streets repaired. (7) Lime mines developed at Tehuacana. (8) A downtown market for farmers. (9) Diversified farming. (10) A Limestone County Fair at Mexia. (11) A county farm agent and demonstrator. (12) Clubs for boys and girls of the county to encourage them in farm industries. (13) More goods roads and systematic maintenance. (14) 10,000 trees for Mexia. (15) A complete parking system in Mexia. (16) A great downtown auditorium. (17) Beautification of Hughes Park. (18) Protection of life on streets and roads, through the rigid enforcement of all ordinances and laws regulating traffic. (19) a growing "trade-at-Mexia" spirit and pride in its institutions. (20) A thoroughly united citizenship, free from jealousy, envy, strife and other dwarfing discordant influences that tear down and blight many a city in the making.

BEING PREPARED

Recent editorials calling attention to the opportunities for patriotic service in the ranks of the Officers' Reserve Corps, have been taken to heart by many citizens throughout the country. Men are needed who can render service, not only in direct military command, but in specialized professional ways.

In a national emergency the imperative need is for officers—leaders who by training and experience are qualified to supply special service. The ranks may be filled by a draft, if necessary; officers and executives must be located, tested and placed to the best advantage. This takes time.

In the days of peace citizens may be prepared themselves, without any interference with their vocations or avocations, for service in the emergency, and it is the duty, as well as the patriotic privilege, of every citizen to be prepared.

There is a striking paragraph in a message sent to Congress by George Washington in 1796, wherein he said: "However pacific the general policy of a nation may be, it ought never to be without an adequate stock of military knowledge for emergencies. In proportion as the observance from the necessity of practicing the rules of the military art, ought to be its care in preserving and transmitting by proper establishments the knowledge of that art. A thorough examination of the subject will evince that the art of war is extensive and complicated; that it demands much previous study; and that the possession of it in its most important and perfect state is always of great moment to the security of a nation."

The men whom I have seen succeed best in life have always been cheerful and hopeful men, who went about their business with a smile on their faces, and took the changes and chances of this mortal life like men, facing rough and smooth alike as it came.—Chas. Kingsley.

Mexia has a splendidly equipped fire department. Improvements are constantly being made whereby the insurance on homes and business houses is costing less from year to year.

Christmas in this section began the latter part of November, with the discovery of vast wealth near here and at Wortham. It is God's gift to this section.

There are some things men must do for themselves. For example, in organized communities they must build their roads. Vote for the Bonds December 16.

CENTRAL TEXAS PRESS
By N. P. Houx

WITHOUT COMMENT.

With the cotton crop now about gathered, the corn in the barn, the turkeys sold and the hens refusing to lay, the busy farmer of this section has started the sulky plows, in preparation for the crop of another year. So far all is well. The country is in fine financial condition, the people are in harmony with each other, which seems that we are approaching Thanksgiving with a light heart and a heart full of love for mankind.—West Weekly News.

We still retain the distinction of never having tried to solve a crossword puzzle. After passing several hours of each day trying to figure out what some of our correspondents intended to say, and untangling linotype mixups, these crossword puzzles hold no parti-

cular attraction for us.—Sam Miller in Mineral Wells Index.

Every line in a newspaper costs the proprietor something. If it is for the benefit of the individual it should be paid for. If the grocer were asked to contribute groceries to one abundantly able to pay for them, he would refuse. The proprietor of a newspaper must pay for the free advertising if the beneficiary does not, and it is one of the hardest things to be learned by many, that a newspaper has space in its columns to rent and must rent them to live. To give away rent for anything less than living rates is as fatal to a newspaper as for a landlord to furnish rent free.—Ex.

Buy everything you need from the home town business man. He will treat you right, and he is here to assist you should misfortune overtake you somewhere along the way. Buy at home—it helps everybody.—Franklin Texan.

If Jules Vern could rise from his

long sleep at this time and see our submarines work and travel under the sea, wouldn't he have all of a duck-fit? He would be about on a par with Sir Bulwer-Lytton, who wrote "The Coming Race," if he could show up and watch our air planes cavort around in the sky for awhile. Verily, we fear the people are getting entirely too smart. They are now talking of trying to go to or talk to Mars. Better be putting in more time trying to go to Heaven when the call is made.—Thorn-ton Hustler.

When a business man argues and contends that mail order circulars are a more effective medium of advertising than the newspaper columns it gives us a tired, pained feeling, because we know the successful merchants of the country are newspaper advertisers, and any that the newspaper is the cheapest and most effective advertising method. Every advertising agency says the newspaper is the most effective and economical method. Besides all this, the newspaper prints the store news and other news of the town and the town is judged by its newspapers. The paper that carries local advertising is convincing to the public that the town is free and wide awake. The circular has its place, but it is expensive for the returns received and contributes nothing to a favorable publicity for a town. We know one town suffering from dry rot today, because some of its merchants depend upon the circular and neglect their newspapers, consequently the town does not receive the publicity it would receive through newspaper advertising.—Groesbeck Journal.

**Many Novices In
Karem's Parade
On Last Tuesday**

At the big Shrine ceremonial held in Waco Tuesday by Karem Temple, at which time Charlie Henderson of this city won the ring, a big class participated in the parade. The following is a list of the novices.

W. P. West, West; R. B. Johnson, Waco; L. E. Bradford, Mart; W. L. Dugger, Waco; G. E. McDaniel, Hillsboro; C. T. Kelly, Mexia; T. A. Griffith, Mexia; R. M. Tilley, Corsicana; J. D. Cunningham, Jr., Corsicana; M. A. Spurgeon, Corsicana; Josh Wood, Waco; Victor Julian, Waco; C. S. Lullin, Waco; W. M. Reed, Waco; E. L. Keith, Corsicana; T. A. Craven, Waco; W. M. A. Romans, Jr., Waco; L. E. Fickling, Waco; B. J. Hightower, Waco; H. B. Pecvey, Sartin; L. D. Shear, Temple; J. F. Gamble, Mine-

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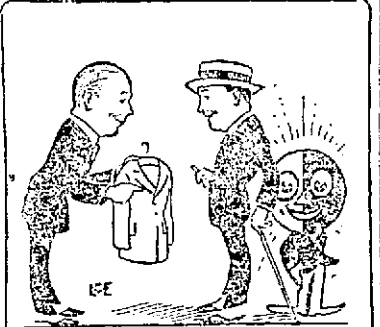
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this congregation extends a most cordial welcome to identify themselves at once with this people and to find their church home as rapidly as possible.

Miss Consuelia Cogdell who is teaching in the Dallas public schools is spending the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cogdell of this city.

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Automobile Page

Railroad Commission Continues Hearing Colonel Duff's Appeal To Build R. R. Line Which Proposes To Serve Mexia

WASHINGTON, Nov. 29.—The possibility of a conference between the Kansas City Southern and Col. R. C. Duff under the auspices of the interstate commerce commission looms as that body takes under consideration the application of Colonel Duff for permission to build his railroad into Port Arthur.

Last Minute Idea.
The question of a conference arose in the last 15 minutes of the hearing Tuesday and was precipitated by Commissioner Potter, who suggested that some way ought to be found for the Duff line to reach Port Arthur without the expense of another rail line from Port Arthur to Beaumont, a distance of 20 miles.

Commissioner Potter asked Colonel Duff if he believed he had exhausted every effort to come to an agreement with the Kansas City Southern. Duff said he believed he had and was positive that no agreement could be reached. Attorney Mucklin of the Kansas City Southern said his line would be willing to enter into conference.

Colonel Duff said that the only arrangements ever offered him by the Kansas City Southern was permission to run into Port Arthur on their lines but they refused permission to participate in local business there.

Suggests Terminal Line.
Commissioner Eastman then suggested that a terminal railroad from Beaumont to Port Arthur, handling the traffic of all railroads to that port might be the solution. Colonel Duff said that such a terminal with an official of each of the railroads sitting on its managing board and allocating the freight would be an ideal arrangement, but he was certain the Kansas City Southern would never agree to such a plan.

After the question of a conference and an agreement has been threshed over, Chairman Myer announced that the case would be closed and that the parties thereto might soon be notified of a conference to reach an agreement.

May Be Up to I. C. C.

No one attending the hearing could be found who believed that any agreement could be reached by such a conference and the opinion was that the interstate commerce commission itself must settle the case on the straight cut question of public convenience and necessity.

Duff responding to a suggestion by Commissioner Potter's that the Duff line might get along on such an arrangement said:

"You cannot build a one-legged railroad and that is what it would amount to if I would agree for it to go into Port Arthur over the protestant's line. I would be refused permission to do business in the local district. Their facilities are inadequate and could not be used. I ask that I be given permission to build a railroad that would have all the functions of a railroad."

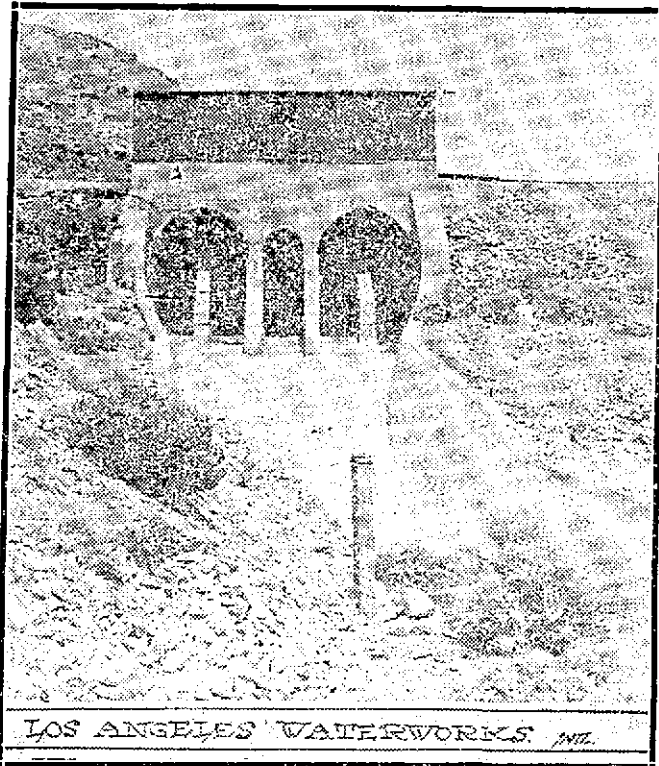
BOYD COMPANY HAS ITS LEASES SCATTERED AND LARGE ROYALTY HOLDINGS

The Boyd Oil Company has leases on the Boyd, Ferguson, Manning, Simmons and Edwards tracts and is daily adding to its royalty interests in the new field. The Ferguson and Manning are between the Boyd and Simmons. The company is also ready to go down on its Boyd number 2, offset to the Boyd 1 on the Northeast.

AMERICAN LEGION SATISFIED FOR PRESENT

INDIANAPOLIS, Nov. 28.—The American Legion will make no effort during the coming congress to secure more liberal terms for ex-service men under the adjusted compensation law, John R. Drain, national commander, announced.

LOS ANGELES WATER RAID IS ENDED



LOS ANGELES WATERWORKS BLDG.

Two hundred ranchmen from the Owens Valley in California have relinquished the headgates of the Los Angeles waterworks, located near Lone Pine, which they held for several days, opening the spill gates and leaving Los Angeles waterless. Last Spring, these same ranchers blew up a section of the aqueduct. The trouble began when the waterworks was built, in 1913, the ranchmen claiming all water had thereby been diverted from their irrigation system in Owens Valley and ruined their farms. The city officials have agreed to furnish them the water they need. The waterworks cost the city \$22,000,000.

Influenza Prevails Throughout Texas

AUSTIN, Texas, Nov. 25.—Influenza is prevalent virtually throughout Texas, according to the report of Dr. Malone Duggan, State health officer, to the United States public health service Monday. Three hundred and sixty-six cases of influenza were reported to him by county and city authorities during the past five days.

There were 94 cases of typhoid fever, 90 of scarlet fever, 63 of

tuberculosis, 62 diphtheria cases and 60 cases of smallpox, 51 of chickenpox, 50 of dengue, 50 pneumonia, 35 pellagra and 49 of whooping cough.

KANSAS SENATOR TO BY FLOOR LEADER

WASHINGTON, Nov. 28.—Senator Charles E. Curtis of Kansas, was elected republican floor leader in the senate, succeeding the late Senator Lodge. Senator James Watson of Indiana was elected assistant leader. The selections were made at the regular caucus of the republican senators to decide on party organizations in the senate.

Between Fort Worth and Dallas

(By United Press)

DALLAS, Nov. 29.—Mayor Louis Blaylock came very near getting in bad with the residents of Oak Cliff, outlying suburb of Dallas, when he made two allusions to Oak Cliff as a part of Ft. Worth.

"My good people of Fort Worth" the mayor said upon two occasions speaking before Oak Cliff club meetings. When the errors were brought to his attention, the mayor said: "I got lost as soon as I cross the Trinity river."

The outlying section of Oak Cliff is nearly as close to the Fort Worth corporate limits as it is to the business center of Dallas.

Trade at Home. For Mexia I Will.

MUST HAVE BEEN IN A BIG HURRY

CLEBURNE, Nov. 29.—J. O. Lockett now pounds out his law briefs on what is believed to be the first air-going typewriter.

Lockett ordered the machine from a Ft. Worth business house and delivery was delayed. In order to hurry up the mill, the company dispatched the machine to Lockett via airplane.

ROXANA AND DUTCH SHELL WORKING EAST OF FIELD

Attention is being called to that part of Freestone County East of Wortham. The chief reason for the

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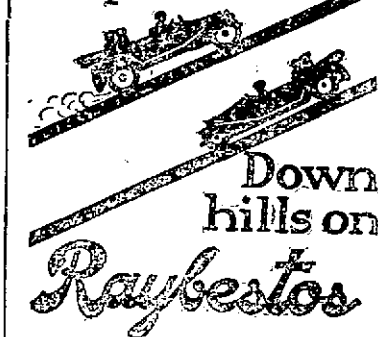
interest is in reports that the Roxana and Dutch Shell Companies are working east of the new field.

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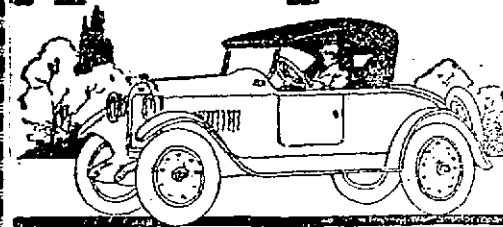
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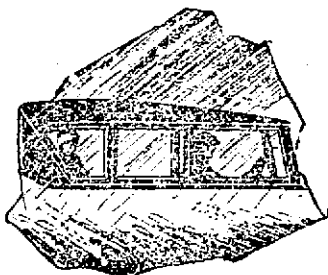
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O. K. SHOE SHOP

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107 So. McKinney St.

Make this a practical Christmas —with these magic keys to happiness

TIME slips by with startling rapidity. But a few short weeks ago you were looking forward to Thanksgiving. Now it's gone!

Christmas will be here before you realize it. So don't delay. Decide now to place your order for a Studebaker Special Six Sedan.

Make this the most practical Christmas of all—with a useful gift that will bring years of joy.

Present your family with these magic keys to happiness on Christmas morning—the keys to a Studebaker Special Six Sedan.

Here is a car your family will be proud to own—a car that looks and rides luxuriously.

A car of imposing beauty—richly finished and fitted—with genuine mohair upholstery and appointments of the very finest quality.

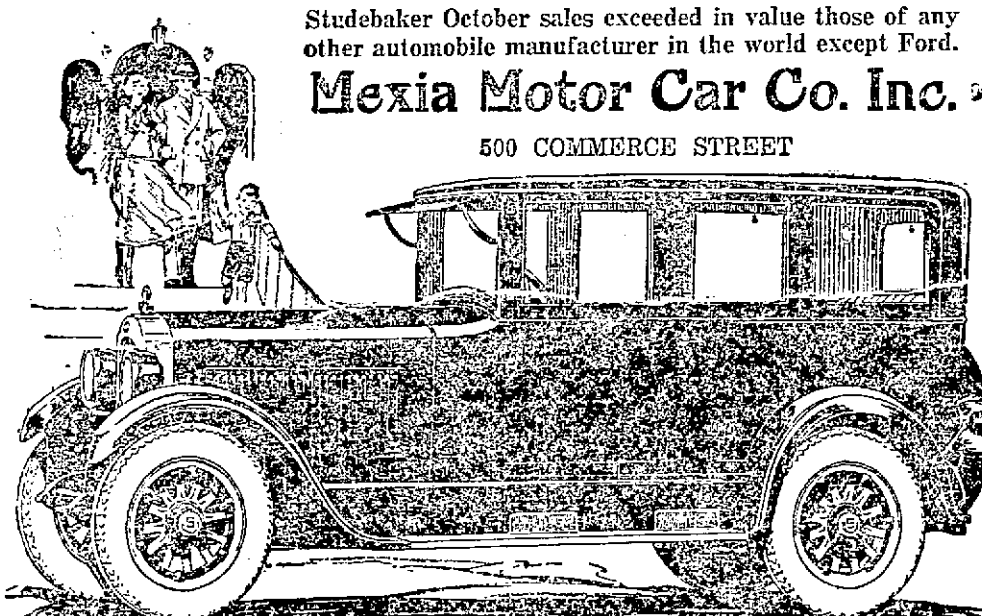
Its smooth, quiet, vibrationless performance is a delight to even the most seasoned motorist. The gears shift so easily—the clutch operates so smoothly—the brakes are so sure and positive—you are hardly aware of any effort in operation.

Make this Christmas one that will be remembered. Put the keys to a Studebaker Special Six Sedan on your tree. We will gladly have the car delivered to your door on Christmas morning. But come in and make arrangements now.

Studebaker October sales exceeded in value those of any other automobile manufacturer in the world except Ford.

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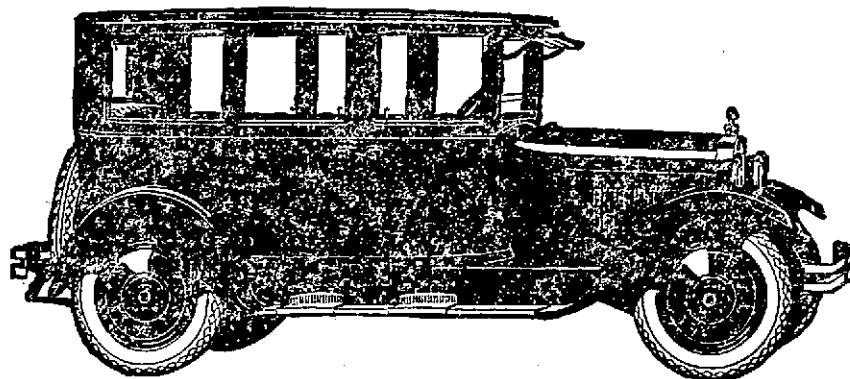
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Gus Wroe Says Will Have An Inaugural Ball

(By United Press)

AUSTIN, Texas, Nov. 25.—"Original plans for an inaugural ball and reception to be held at the State Capitol in honor of Mrs. Ferguson, the next governor of Texas, will be carried out in full unless we are enjoined or the militia is called out to stop us," said H. A. Wroe, prominent Austin banker, University regent and Mrs. Ferguson's campaign manager in Travis county. He said no attention would be paid to the protest against the ball made by the General Baptist convention.

Costly steel engraved invitations and dance programs have been prepared and the invitations will soon be sent out.

The invitations refer to Mrs. Ferguson as "Her Excellency." This is the first time in Texas' history that such a term has been used in an invitation.

Following long established custom the ball is to be given in the Hall of the House and the reception in the Senate Chamber.

MRS. B. B. SIMMONDS
ENTERTAINS SATURDAY

On Saturday afternoon Mrs. B. B. Simmonds was hostess to many of her friends, with a bridge and "12" party, honoring Mrs. W. S. Daniels of Temple. Other house guests were Mrs. J. M. Simmonds and Mrs. Era Cheeves of Temple, Mrs. M. H. Simmonds and Mrs. R. L. Crenshaw of Oenaville.

A color scheme of yellow and white was carried out in the decorations. Bowls of yellow chrysanthemums lent their charm throughout the living room suite.

The guest prize was a packard china vase, while Japanese vases were given each of the house guest. Mrs. J. K. Hughes and Mrs. John Neece won the high score prizes. Japanese tea pots. Table favors were yellow baskets of candies.

A delightful salad course and molded ice cream turkeys with angel food cake was served.

Keep on telling 'em and you will keep on selling 'em. News advertising brings desired results.

Egyptian Cabinet Out, Following Murder.



KING FUAD, MEX

King Fuad, of Egypt, has accepted the resignation of the cabinet of Zaghloul Pasha, following the presentation of Great Britain's demands after the murder in Cairo of Sir Lee Stack, Sirdar of the Egyptian army.

GUSHER PARALYZES PEN READY TO SIGN CONTRACT

One man was complaining today because of a deal which was frustrated Thursday by the Simmons 1 gusher coming in just when it did. He had a man with whom he was figuring for a lease out in his back yard at Wortham where he could not see the Simmons derrick and had just about talked the man into a deal. While preparing to put his John Henry on the dotted lines, wildcat whistles got a going in Wortham, many of the ladies living in the neighborhood rushed out into their yards and it was all off. The deal was not a success. The Gusher had ruined the transaction for party of the second part.

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Cunningham's Hat and
Tailor Shop. Phone 692.

Mrs. Hughes Spuds In For First Well

Mrs. J. K. Hughes Thursday spudded in her first oil well. She is the first woman to enter the oil game in this part of the State and has personally attended to all business in connection with the transaction. She selected her own lease, made her first location and also two others, all three of which will be on their way down within a few days. The ten acres she owns is out of the Simmons block, East of the Boyd Simmons 16 acres on which number 1 came in Turkey day. It is between the Boyd Simmons and the H. & T. C. railroad which is thought to cut into the trend and follow it for more than a mile.

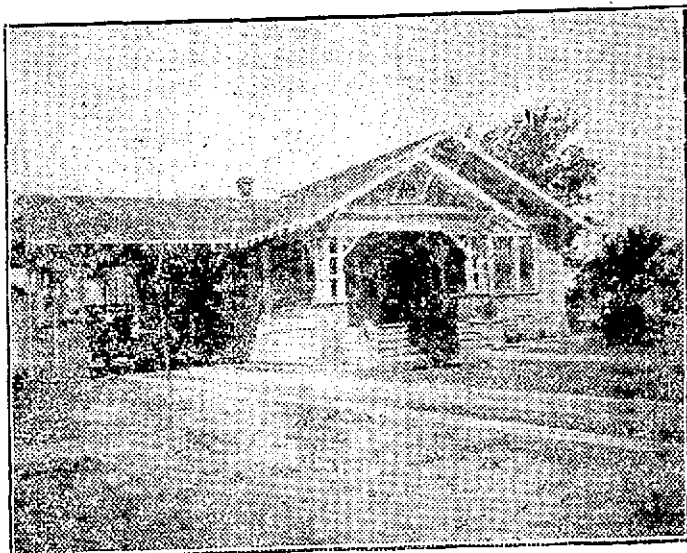
JITNEY SERVICE STARTS FROM MEXIA TO WORTHAM

Regular scheduled jitney service between Mexia and Wortham started Friday morning, when Knox and Riddle opened the first line. Cars leave both places promptly on the hour. The Mexia station is at the Anderson Horn Drug Store. The rate charged is fifty cents the trip. With thousands passing between the two places daily and through the new oil field, such a service is welcomed heartily.

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Unfrocked Preacher On Stand For Self

(By United Press)

NOWATA, Okla., Nov. 28.—Joseph E. Yeats, unfrocked minister, on trial on a charge of kidnaping Georgia Fields, 14 year old school girl, took the stand to testify in his own defense. He contended that he eloped with Georgia to rescue her from alleged attacks of her father. He expected to repudiate testimony that Georgia was unaware of the contents of letters sent the father by Yeats which Yeats advised the father.

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No candidate will be given any special privilege over other candidates. The campaign is put on for the purpose of raising our circulation, therefore subscriptions is what the management wants, and in order to secure a large number, we are putting on this campaign, giving absolutely free to the candidate securing the largest number of subscriptions and votes, this beautiful \$1295.00 Studebaker Standard Six Five-Passenger Duplex Phaeton, as herewith shown in this advertisement.

THE CAR MAY BE SEEN AT THE MEXIA MOTOR CAR COMPANY, INC., SALESROOM, 500 EAST COMMERCE STREET, MEXIA, TEXAS.

Fill out the Nomination Blank below and mail or bring to us today and start with the determination of winning this beautiful car free. Any energetic candidate should earn from \$3.00 to \$10.00 per day, with an equal chance of winning this beautiful car at the expiration of this campaign as a bonus.

Make the start today! Get busy! Time does not wait! Win this car!

CANDIDATE'S NOMINATION COUPON.

Good for 100,000 Votes

Cooper Publishing Co.,
Mexia, Texas.

Gentlemen:

Enclosed please find one subscription order for Marie Lynn Magazine, together with remittance for same. You will please enter my name as a candidate in the Marie Lynn Magazine subscription campaign.

Name of candidate.

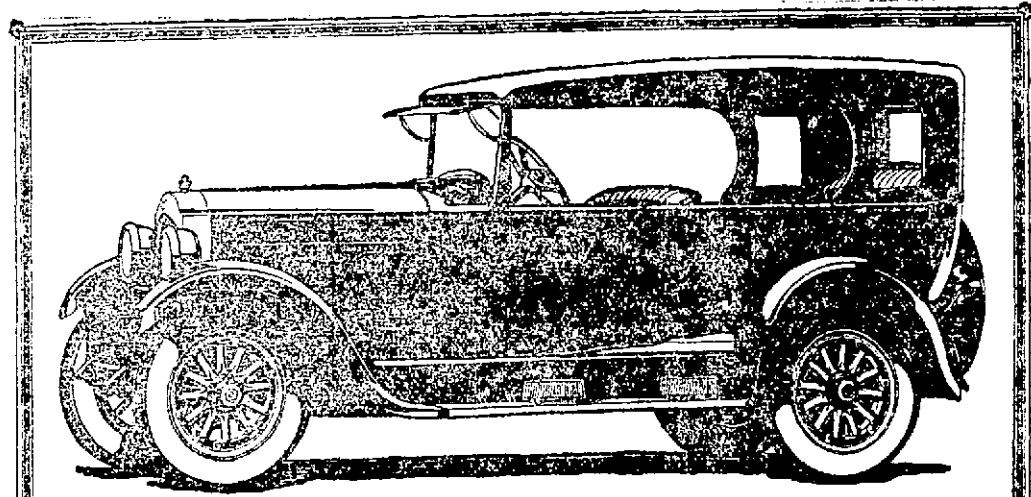
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This Coupon can be used but one time, and no extra nomination blanks will be given to any candidate or extra votes in any way.



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We must insist that you come to the salesroom of the Mexia Motor Car Co., Inc., 500 East Commerce St., and see this beautiful car, then start right out in the campaign with the determination to win.

There are no red tape, strings, "ifs" nor "ands" attached to this offer. The car is positively and absolutely given free as a bonus or prize, in accordance with the rules and regulations of this campaign.

The candidate who receive the greatest number of votes at the expiration of this campaign will be given this beautiful Studebaker car absolutely free without one iota of red tape attached.

This is one of the most generous offers ever made by any publisher anywhere, and it is made for the sole purpose of building a large circulation to the Marie Lynn Magazine, published at Teague, Texas, and every man, woman and child with a reputable reputation living in Freestone, Limestone, and Navarro counties and their border lines is free to enter this subscription campaign. You are paid a 25 per cent commission on each subscription taken, and the commission is paid to you at the time each remittance is made to the publisher. Remittance to be made three times each week—Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, either in person or by mail.

Read every word of this advertisement, then fill out the nomination coupon and bring or mail today to the circulation manager, who will be stationed at Mexia for the convenience of all candidates.

Act today! Now is the time to get busy. Go out with the determination of winning this beautiful \$1295.00 Standard Studebaker Five-Passenger Duplex Phaeton.

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1. Any reputable man, woman or child residing in Freestone, Limestone or Navarro county may enter this campaign at any time during the campaign period.

2. No relative or employee or anyone directly connected with The Marie Lynn Magazine will be allowed to enter this campaign. The publisher reserves the right to reject any nomination.

3. Candidates may work anywhere in Freestone, Limestone or Navarro county and their border lines to secure subscriptions and votes.

4. Candidates will be responsible for all money collected for subscriptions and must report three times per week—Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays—either in person or by mail, remitting all money due the publisher each time.

5. Votes cannot be purchased by any candidate nor through any friends of the candidates. Every vote secured must be accompanied by a paid subscription.

6. Votes are not transferable from one candidate to another. No candidate will be allowed to withdraw in favor of another. Neither will it be permissible to give or transfer subscriptions to another candidate. Votes on such transferred subscriptions will be rejected.

7. No candidate will be allowed to form a combine or pool their subscription together. Any candidate or candidates entering into such an agreement or arrangement will be disqualified and all votes cancelled. This must be strictly adhered to by all candidates.

8. No statement or promise made by any solicitor, agent or candidate bearing from the rules published thru the columns of The Marie Lynn Magazine will be recognized by the publisher.

9. All candidates receive a cash commission of 25 per cent on all subscriptions taken by said candidate, payable in cash at the time of remittance to the publisher for subscriptions taken. Said remittance must be made three times each week—on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays—either in person or by mail.

10. Each candidate will receive 10,000 votes on each one-year subscription, 25,000 votes on a two-year's subscription, 50,000 votes on a three-year's subscription and 100,000 votes on a six-year's subscription at the expiration of the campaign. The candidate securing the largest number of votes will be given the Studebaker car, as described, absolutely free, as a bonus or prize for his or her services.

11. The campaign starts Tuesday, November 25, and continues 150 days.

Corsicana Joins Mexia



In Congratulating The City of Wortham On It's New Big Gusher Oil Field

And extends to the New Oil Field and its Operators its hearty co-operation in the building up and development of the entire community in and surrounding the new oil field.

With its many years of experience in oil development, Corsicana can be of great assistance to the new oil field, and is ready and willing to lend a helping hand.

Ready To Serve The Oil Fraternity.

If for any reason, members of the oil fraternity cannot find what they want in Wortham and the new oil field, Corsicana extends the glad hand of welcome, feeling sure that one of the fastest growing cities in Texas can supply the demands to the fullest satisfaction of all concerned.

With a progressive citizenship and a live city and all modern conveniences, Corsicana offers an ideal place in which to live. Having miles of paved streets, with new paving being put down, and many new additions being added in various sections of the city, abundant supply of pure, fresh drinking water for all purposes, sanitary conditions guarded by special sanitary officer, makes this city a clean and healthy place in which to live.

Also, with the completion of a beautiful and well equipped high school together with three new ward schools, added to our present school system, makes Corsicana an educational center of the first class. Then too, the beautiful new five story fire proof hotel is rapidly nearing completion which together with the many other hotels, will take care of the oil field overflow.

In addition to many new business houses being completed, any many more to follow including the contract for a modern eight-story office building, this city can take care of the business interests in any demand made upon it along most any line.

With modern show houses, clubs, and other places of amusement, the visitor is offered a good range of entertainment, all of which makes Corsicana an amusement center of much importance.

There are many other good things that can be said about Corsicana that space will not permit and last but not least a warm welcome awaits all by the many substantial Churches. Corsicana can well be called a good city in which to live and it is comprised of a citizenship that cannot be surpassed anywhere.

For the convenience of the Oil Fraternity, Corsicana is now co-operating with the H&TC Railroad in the perfection of a train service that will give oil men the greatest conveniences possible.

New Income Tax Regulations Now In Leaflet Form

The new income tax regulations in pamphlet form are now available at the office of the collector of internal revenue in the federal building at Waco. There are a number of changes from last year's regulations. The exemption provisions in particular are more liberal, and the status of married men, originally determined by whether or not a tax payer was married or single on the last day of the year, is now determined in actual proportion to the time he is married and the time he is single. In other words, a man who marries on the first of December gets one-twelfth of the marriage exemption, whereas previously he got the exemption for the full year.

Conversely, a man's whose wife dies on the first of December forfeits only one-twelfth of the exemption, instead of the entire amount, as formerly. These and other changes are fully explained in the Regulations 65, the pamphlet which can now be obtained by application at the office of the collector.

THE COLONEL'S DONE IT AGAIN.

By BEN R. HUNT.

Why all this great excited crowd In every part of town? Why all this joy and laughter loud Without a single frown? Why all these men in khaki clothes, As busy as can be, With maps stuck up beneath their nose To see what they can see?

What's that you say? Who struck the pay? Who was it turned the trick? Don't look at me that wild-eyed way But tell me, tell me quick. You don't say so. Well I'll declare. Hurrah! Hurrah! Hurrah! The Colonel said the oil was there And now he's struck the pay.

So that's the cause of all this noise And all this din and talk— The Colonel's found great reservoirs Far down below the chalk. With faith and vision most profound, Sublime as that of Noah, From unseen depths beneath the ground, He's made the gushers roar.

His vision pierced the rock-bound crust, Three thousand feet or more; Said he, "I'll get that oil or bust, As I have done before." And then he waved a magic wand And waved it to and fro Till seething oil sands answered back Three thousand feet below.

Four years ago he waved his spell, (Mexico then was blest), By bringing in a wildcat well Which was a welcome guest; And now that feat he duplicates— In fact, he makes it twins; And while I watch those roaring cats Mexico shouts and grins.

Legion Seeks \$5,000,000 Fund for Orphans.



Brigadier-General J. A. Drain, of the American Legion, recently conferred with President Coolidge on the proposed \$5,000,000 endowment fund the Legion will raise to care for children orphaned by the World War. General Drain is chairman of the movement, and President Coolidge is honorary vice chairman.

FUNERAL OF FURNACE VICTIM.



The police of Columbus, Ohio, do not seem any nearer a solution of the mysterious death of Mrs. C. V. Sheatsley, wife of the pastor of the Christ Lutheran Church in the suburb of Bexley, who was burned to death in the furnace of the parsonage. Her funeral was held in Paris, Ohio. Directly behind the casket are the Rev. C. V. Sheatsley, with his daughter, Alice; Mrs. Lydia Spouseller, mother of Mrs. Sheatsley; Mrs. Maria Sheatsley, mother of the preacher, and in the rear, wearing caps, the sons of the dead woman. The authorities have questioned the son, Clarence, who, after seeing his mother burning in the furnace, turned away and took a nap.

Blood Transfusion Keeps You Young, Says Paris Doctor

(By International News Service.)

PARIS, Nov. 25.—"If youth will, old age can," said the famous Dr. Jaworski, exposing his theory of rejuvenation before a large Paris audience.

Growing old will become a pleasure if one can carry out his ideas. Dr. Jaworski's idea is not so much a question of making a young body out of an old one as it is to keep the body young from the beginning. He does not favor the monkey theory. Men he says, are much more capable of rendering

service to each other than the little animal brought into much prominence by the famous Voronoff. By blood transfusion he promises youth and vigor to the octogenarian and in the name of "blood marriage" carried to the highest degree of the institution, he asks the youth of the country to offer their blood—oh, only a few drops, of course.

"I have transformed a mare into a horse and a nunny into a kid. Blood transfusion did it."

CORSICANA TO HAVE EIGHT STORY BUILDING.

(By United Press.)

CORSICANA, Nov. 29.—Contracts for the erection of an eight-story office building, to be erected at an estimated cost of \$500,000, has been let here by the State National

Bank of Corsicana.

Work on the foundation will get underway in a short time, it was stated. The Walker Construction Company of San Antonio are the general contractors.

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Republicans Spank Four of Their Progressive Colleagues

(By United Press)

WASHINGTON, Nov. 28.—Senate republicans voted in caucus to punish Senators La Follette, Brookhart, Ladd and Frazier for errant republicans. After electing Senator Curtis as floor leader passed resolution to bar the four progressive senators from future caucuses and to not consider their names in filling committee vacancies. The action is considered little short of ousting the four from the republican party.

Mrs. Harding's Will Filed For Probate

(By United Press)

MARION, Ohio, Nov. 28.—The will of the late Florence Kling Harding was filed for probate. Cash bequests of \$50,000 were distributed to relatives and close friends. The complete estimated estate value was not available.

Several Counties Seek State Aid

AUSTIN, Texas, Nov. 25.—Five counties Monday submitted applications for state aid before the highway commission, and three for designations on roads. John H. Bickett Sr., just appointed on the commission by Governor Neff, attended his first meeting Monday. Counties asking aid are Taylor, Travis, Hardeman, Cameron and Jasper. Designations were asked by Walker and Wilson counties.

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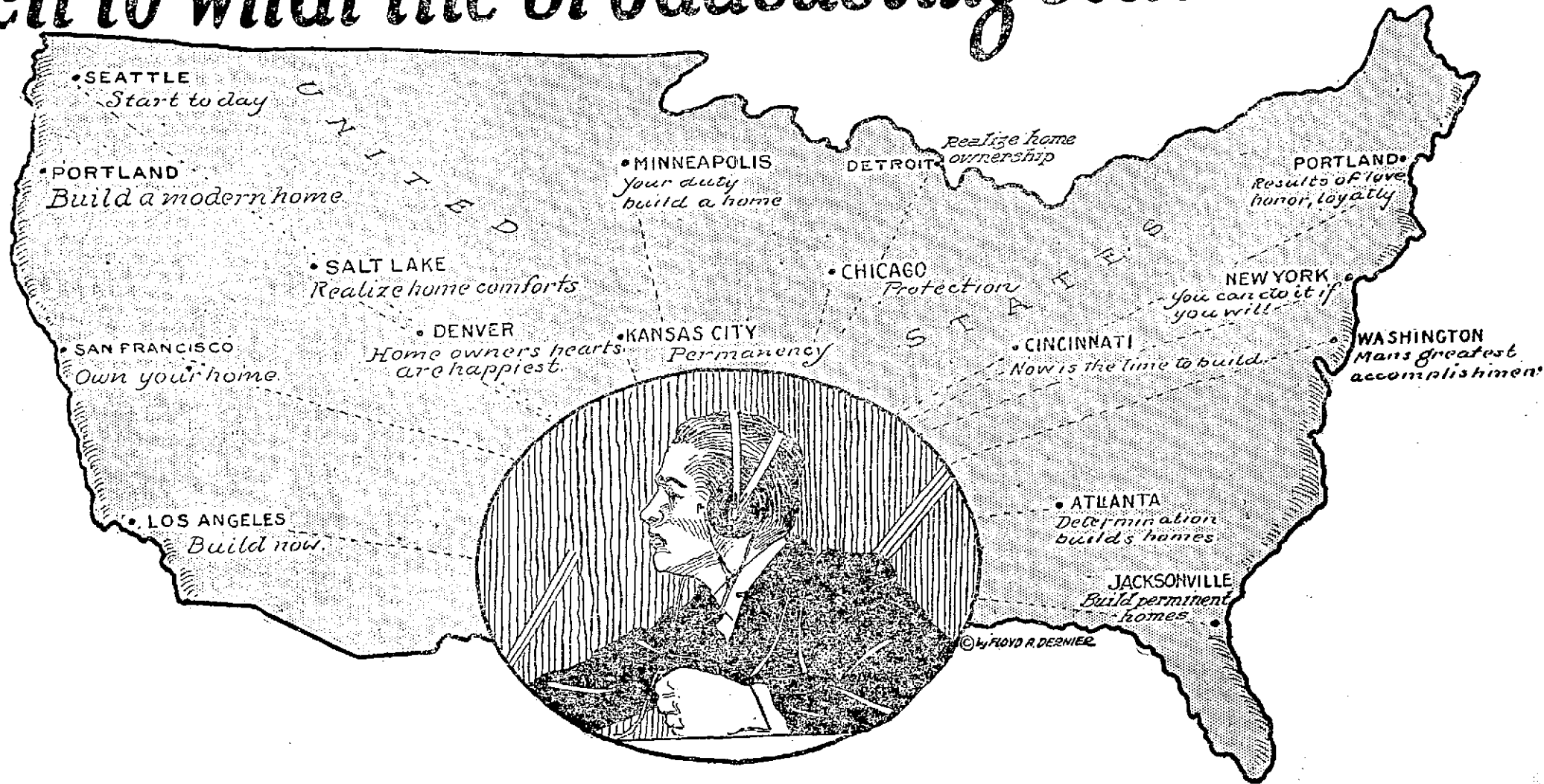
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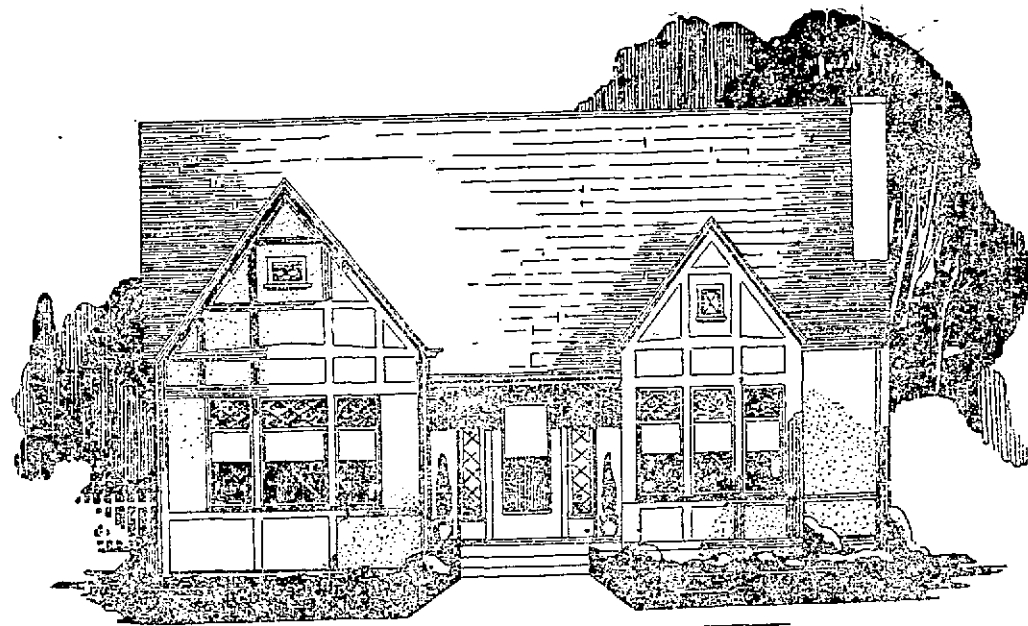
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From everywhere the recommendation comes to you to Build a Home—Own Your Own Home—become independent and assure yourself and family protection, happiness and contentment.

These suggestions are timely, because you are in a better position to undertake Home Ownership now than ever before. You are making more money and these increased earnings should go into a home. On every hand attractive inducements are offered that you may become a home owner—money is plentiful at reasonable rates, building materials and competent labor is available at prices consistent with general conditions desirable home sites will never be cheaper. Those who are desirous of becoming home owners are taking advantage of present opportunities and to such an extent that more new homes are under

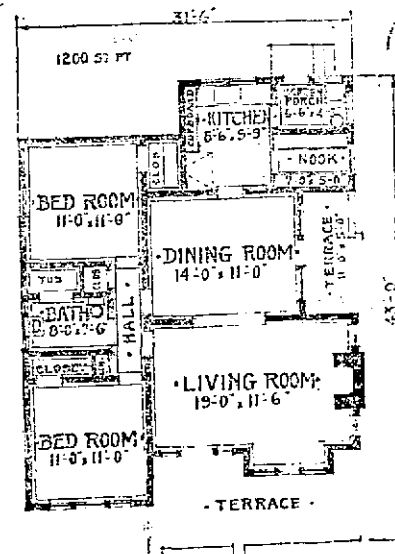
construction than ever before; this is just as it should be, and thinking folks are awakening to the fact that nothing can be gained by putting off home building any longer. Each day you defer building or buying a home deprives you and your family of that much pleasure and protection which you and they are rightfully entitled to.

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The Business and Professional Women's Club of Mexia met at the Topic Cafe on last Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock, to a sumptuous Thanksgiving Banquet.

The dining room was beautifully decorated with large baskets of yellow chrysanthemums, and the tables were made attractive with small baskets of yellow chrysanthemums; these having been furnished for the occasion by the McSwane Floral Shop.

The following program was arranged by Mrs. Rose Parker, chairman of the entertainment committee. Vocal solo by Miss Lucille Priddy, "The Rosary," accompanied by Mrs. C. O. Denning at the piano. A talk by Rev. W. B. Andrews, who used as his subject "The Business Woman." Piano solo by Miss Anita Ledbetter. Reading by Mrs. Victor K. Aubrey, "In the Land of the Beginning Again." Talk by A. Hardy Eubanks, President of the Chamber of Commerce and Rotary Club, using as his subject "The Serious Side of Life," this talk was sprinkled with a bit of Eubanks humor, and was greatly enjoyed by all present as was the rest of this entertaining program. The final selection was a violin duet by Misses Wright and McLeod, accompanied by Mrs. George Stubbs at the piano, these latter young ladies are from Wortham.

The members of this club have their regular business meeting on the second and fourth Monday in each month, and get together for their social meetings, which are known for their spice and pep, about once a month.

CONGRESSMAN JOHNSON READY FOR CONGRESS

Congressman Luther Johnson of this district is now in Washington again, ready for the short session which opens Monday and which will finish its labors March 4. Congressman Johnson writes that if there are any in this district who have matters to which they would like to call his attention or receive assistance on that he will be glad to hear from them there.

BROCKSTON-HENSON.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Archer entertained a few friends and relatives Thursday, the occasion of the hour being the marriage of their niece, Miss Lena Henson of Coolidge to Mr. George Brockston of Big Hill. The ceremony was performed by Elder J. A. Q. Pringle of Coolidge, music being rendered by Mrs. Oliver, sister of the groom. After congratulations and well wishes the bride and groom left for their home at Big Hill.

The First Methodist Church.

The pastor, Rev. W. B. Andrews, will preach at 11 a. m., and 7 p. m. The morning subject: "Why the Devil Spiked Paul." Evening subject: "Sins that Cannot Be Hidden."

The Sunday School meets at 9:45. Epworth Leagues at 3 and 4 p. m.

"Saul's Conversion" will be the subject for study in the Wednesday night prayer meeting.

Spiritualist Declares That Hardings United

LONDON, Nov. 29.—The late President Warren G. Harding and his wife, Florence Kling Harding, undoubtedly are united in the spirit world, Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, distinguished British author and spiritualist, creator of "Sherlock Holmes" declared in an interview with the United Press.

"I think there is no doubt that the late President called out to his wife while she still was on earth and actually summoned her to him and that she went," Sir Arthur said.

He added that several American Presidents have been susceptible to psychic influences, "and it is conceivable that they are watching earthly affairs."

Sir Arthur cited the case of Abraham Lincoln.

"There is no doubt about it in Lincoln's case," the author-spiritualist said. That is an historical fact.

"It should be recognized that psychic messages, relayed to Lincoln were largely instrumental in winning the Civil War."

Conan Doyle is convinced that not only is there survival after death, but that "vigorous, vital personalities like Lord Northcliffe," may be able to achieve, and in some cases actually have achieved communication with this earth.

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WCX, 2:00 p. m. Organ recital.
5:00 p. m. Dinner concert.
WJAX 8:00 p. m. Musical program.

WOO 1:30 p. m. Musical exercises. 5:00 p. m. Organ recital. 6:30 Sermon; organ recital.
WWJ 1:00 p. m. The Detroit News orchestra. 6:30 p. m. Church services.

WDAF 4:00 to 5:00 p. m. Classical program.

WFAA 6:00 to 7:00 p. m. Bible class.

9:00 to 9:30 p. m. Sacred song recital. 9:30 to 11:30 p. m. Hawaiian music recital.

WHAS 9:57 a. m. Organ music. 10:00 a. m. Church services. 4:00 to 5:00 p. m. Choral even-song service.

WHO 7:30 to 9:00 p. m. Bankers Life Radio artists.

WMC 11:00 a. m. Church services.

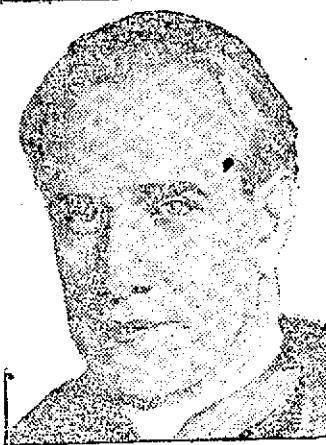
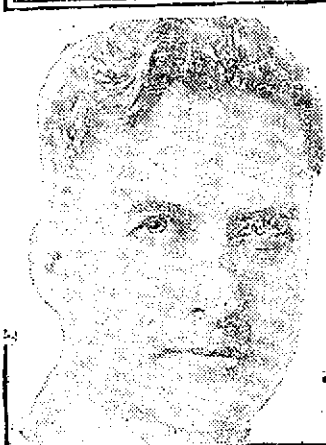
WMH 7:00 p. m. Sermon, Christian church.

WOC 8:00 p. m. Church services. 9:30 p. m. Palmer orchestra.

WSB 11:00 a. m. Church services. 5:00 to 6:00 p. m. Twilight sacred service. 7:00 to 7:30 p. m. Services, St. Paul's Cathedral.

Two royal tombs from the Valley of the Kings will be erected in Field Museum, at Chicago. Each tomb will contain several rooms, and in each burial crypt the genuine mummy of a king and queen will be placed in a sarcophagus.

MEN AND WOMEN IN NEWS OF THE DAY



Below: EDGAR A. BANCROFT & HAZEL BOYNE
Below: THOMAS H. INCE & PATRICK CARDINAL HAYES

Thomas H. Ince, youthful motion picture producer, who featured Bill Hart, Charles Ray, Frank Keenan, Louise Gianni and Douglas MacLean, dropped dead at his home, "Dias Dorados," in Beverly Hills, Los Angeles. Edgar A. Bancroft, new American Ambassador to Japan, has been received in audience by Prince Regent Hirohito in Tokyo. Patrick Cardinal Hayes, one of the youngest Cardinals in the Catholic Church, has just passed his fifty-seventh birthday in New York City. "Get me out of jail and I'll be a good boy," written in an appealing note to Hazel "Sunny" Boyne, actress, failed to get her to drop her alimony charge against Robert Stuart Eschelman, known on the stage as Doc Roberts, and he was held in a New York City jail.

Family Reunion Is Attended Thursday By Mrs. John Holton and J. W. Thomas

J. W. Thomas of the city last Tuesday night had as visitors in to a family reunion in honor of his home here, his three brothers, of the fiftieth wedding anniversary of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Lamesa and J. M. of Port Arthur. Thomas of that place. The latter

are the parents of ten children, four boys and six girls, all of who gathered around the hearthstone and turkey laden tables for the festive occasion long to be remembered by them. A few of the grandchildren were present. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas have resided in their present home since 1890, coming to Texas from Greenville, Alabama. They rejoiced in the pleasures of the Thanksgiving season for them. They are the grandparents to 34 boys and girls of varying ages from infancy to mature manhood and have 4 great grandchildren. All of their children, grand children and great grandchildren live in Texas, scattered from Coast to Western plains. The daughters are Mrs. W. R. Hood of Corsicana; Mrs. Will Kline of Mexia; Mrs. W. N. Ferris of Amarillo; Mrs. Mack Moore of Waco; Mrs. John Holton of Mexia and Parkhill of Beaumont.

E. D. Dickey and B. O. Barnett paid Mexia a visit Monday.

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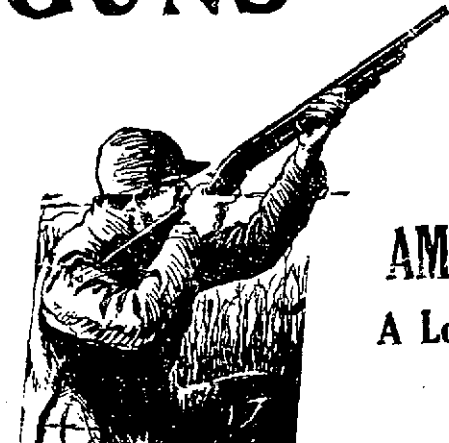
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Railroads Are Ready For Big Mexia Business

Much material for the oil field was being unloaded Saturday at the long switch formerly serving the loading rack, along the H. & T. C., about a mile North of town. The yards are rapidly filling up with cars loaded with all sorts of commodities and oil field supplies. Huge stacks of pipe are growing bigger every day, and trucks are busy all night and day, taking material to locations in the new district. Next week, according to local railway freight agents, the lines serving Mexia will bring many times as many cars in as the week just closed. Orders placed the early part of the week for immense stocks will begin to roll in. The H. and T. C. and the T. and B. V., with five inlets into Mexia have many miles of side tracks and will entertain no difficulty in handling the business coming. Locations are also available along tracks for supply houses, warehouses, and yards, both F. P. Huchingson of the Southern Pacific

DUKE'S DAUGHTER WEDS U. S. FARMER.



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Honeymooning somewhere in New York are Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Meyers. Meyers is a small truck farmer of Melbourne, Fla. Mrs. Meyers was Countess Marie Larisch, daughter of Duke Ludwig, of Bavaria. She was also Duchess von Wittelsbach in her court days. Count Karl Larisch, her son by a former marriage, attended the wedding ceremony in Elizabeth, N. J., on September 2. Reduced by poverty after the war, the Countess became a servant in a German household. Meyers heard of her plight and wrote, proposing marriage. She accepted. The Countess, who is reported to know more than any living person of the mysterious death of Crown Prince Rudolph, of Austria, was the favorite niece of the late Empress Elizabeth of Austria, and was reared in the royal Hofburg palace in Vienna.

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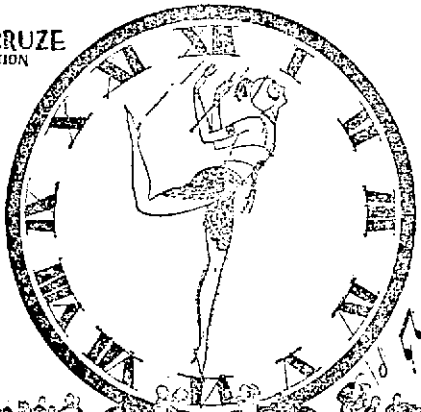
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Monday is the beginning of a new month. It will be December, the Christmas month.

The Mexia Daily News has again been asked to accept letters for delivery to Santa Claus from the children of the community. The News will publish these letters, so that Santa Claus may read every-

one of them. So the little folks are urged to take advantage of this opportunity. Each year sees a larger number of their messages to Santa published and this year, he hopes to hear from even a greater number. Just address your letter to "Santa Claus, care of the Mexia Daily News, Mexia, Texas."

MARLAND ENTERS NEW FIELD AS ONE OF NEW OPERATORS

The field activity in the Mexia Wortham oil district is participated in largely by operators who have been competitors in the Mexia, Currie, Richland, New Richland and Powell oil fields. They know the formations well and also know the value of flush production in the Woodbine sands, as well as the rapidity with which it goes off, leaving the pump to do the work. This has resulted in the frenzied scramble downward. One of the new companies to enter the field is the Marland Company, on whose leases four rigs are to be running soon and who is building bunk houses, a water station and otherwise preparing itself for its part in the development program.

Nelson Forrest and Ben Smith have returned from Atlanta where they spent a few days this past week on a visit with their sons, Nathan Forrest and Jim Smith. The two young men are students at Georgia Tech. While there they saw the Thanksgiving day foot ball game and friends have enjoyed especially the stories of the game as told by Mr. Forrest who has just recently learned something of the game.

Principal R. M. Andrews of the Mexia High School was on the program at the Texas Teachers Association at San Antonio this past week, presenting an address in one of the sections on Public Speaking.

For SALE—Gates Apartment, at a big bargain. See Tracy McKenzie on phone 114 or 395.

Peaches Beat Potatoes 1924

(By United Press)
AUSTIN, Nov. 29.—The state's reputation as a sweet potato producer is at stake and somebody is needed to bolster the annual production.

This year's crop is placed by farm statisticians at 4,450,000 bushels compared with 6,880,000 for 1923 and 8,715,000 for 1922.

On the other hand the Texas peach yield for 1924 mounted to 776 carloads, compared with a five-year average of 386 cars.

25 CARS OF FIELD SUPPLIES ARE HERE OVER T. & B. V. R. R.

Sam Werner, local Commercial Agent for the T. and B. V. stated Saturday that this line had just received 25 car loads of material for the new oil field near here. He has information also that there are 75 other cars rolling this way at present.

From Mildred and Navarro much material is to be hauled, transferred back to Mexia.

SCHOOLS RESUME MONDAY AFTER TWO DAYS REST

Schools in the city will resume work Monday morning, following the rest since last Wednesday. The two holidays were allowed for Thanksgiving and for the State Teachers Association.

Doc Corley was an Austin visitor Thanksgiving day, seeing the big game between the University and A. & M. He reports the new stadium a magnificent structure, which when completed will be the equal of any in the entire country.

George Canfield of Waco is in Mexia and expects to make this his future home.

WHAT IS THE AGE-LIMIT FOR WOMAN'S LOVE?

"The Tattooed Countess" Fell in Love at First Sight at Fifty.

IN these days of bob-haired grandmothers, there is new truth in the old saying, "A woman is as old as she looks and a man is as old as he feels." The days are over when a woman looked her age. Thanks to more efficient housekeeping, better personal hygiene, more outdoor life, more varied activity and popular education on the subject in the newspapers, most women have joined the youth extension movement.

And these women are living up to their looks—if they look young, they are young—and they act young.

Not that the older women had to learn their lessons from the flappers. Ever since Eve ordered the pattern for the latest thing in fig-leaves, it has been one of the profoundest desires of woman to stay young. All through history and art and literature we find the tragedy and comedy—and beautiful romance—of woman striving to retain the magic charm of her youth. Some of the greatest women in history achieved renown when women of their ages were content to croon lullabies to grandchildren.

Catherine the Great, Empress of Russia, mixed statecraft and lovecraft for fifty years, her successive chief ministers being also her lovers. And she gave up love only

when she gave up life, finding a new lover when she was sixty-seven years old, just before her death. Cleopatra was comparatively young—only thirty-nine, when she ended her life and her disastrous affair with Marc Antony. Frau von Stein had seven children (although she was only thirty-three) when she first met Goethe, and she dominated his life until she was forty-four.

But these famous women of history were the exceptions—and it was not until the time of our own grandmothers that the world changed for women so that almost all could extend their youth beyond their teens. Some say that it all started with the agitation for the vote (doesn't it seem old-fashioned already?) and when women began to be necessary in business, in industry and in the professions. How could a woman grow old doing a young woman's work? How could she grow old living a young woman's life?

Of course, we have smiled at the middle-aged woman in New Jersey who, a few months ago, eloped with a young boy, and we have been inclined to laugh outright at the wealthy Mrs. Turk who, the

other day, married at the tender age of ninety, and the wealthy Mrs. Fray of Virginia, marrying at 82 a man of 29. These are simply the extremes—there are very few women who, deep down in their hearts, ever really lose hope of love if they have never found it, or, if they are married, feel that their lives are ended. But where, in olden days, these feelings were rarely realized, now almost all women feel them and an increasing number realize them.

But "The Tattooed Countess" belongs not to this generation but to that of our grandmothers. In 1897 she was fifty, and in those days it took great courage to challenge the generally accepted opinion that a woman of fifty is about twice too old for love. But the Countess was a woman of courage—she came and saw and conquered and carried off her love prize in the face of the shocked society of Maple Valley, Iowa.

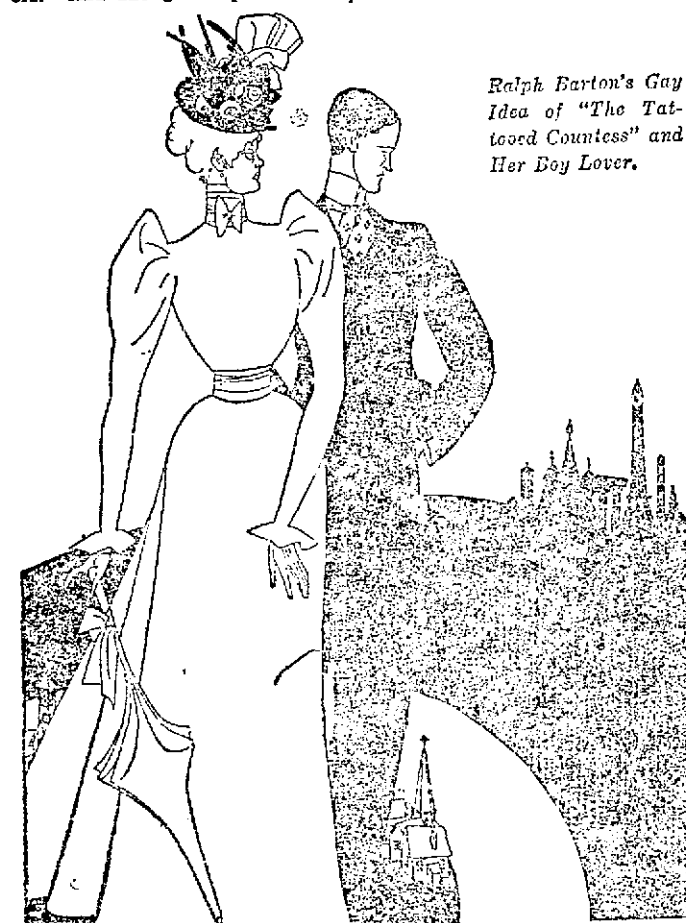
"The Tattooed Countess" took her young lover away from two rivals—a woman of forty and a girl of eighteen. But it must be admitted that it was not her love, which won. And it is also very doubtful whether she held her lover very long. The woman of forty offered him intellectual companionship and spiritual sympathy. The girl of eighteen offered him youth and ardent love. But the woman of fifty knew what he really wanted at that moment—to leave the humdrum cordiness of Maple Valley—to see the world, to live life amid the splendors of European society, the theatre, art, literature—to see the intellectual brilliance of the Old World with his own eyes. And those things "The Tattooed Countess" alone could give him—although she could not hope to receive in return the passion she craved.

Can a woman of fifty really love a boy of seventeen? Well, can a man of fifty really love a girl of seventeen? Why is it more people will answer "no" to the first question than to the second—and will answer it more vigorously? At any rate it is certainly a subject on which very few people can be indifferent, judging from the fact that five editions of the story of "The Tattooed Countess" were sold out in the first three weeks after Alfred A. Knopf published it.

In the case of "The Tattooed Countess," the answer to the question of love goes back to her past—and a very gay and brilliant past it was, according to Mr. Carl Van Vechten's highly entertaining account in his new novel. Mr. Van Vechten introduces "The Tattooed Countess" at the time she comes

enteen, and falls in love with him. Lennie Colman, Gareth's English teacher at high school, also loves him, but in silence, fearing the difference between her forty years and his youth. "The Tattooed Countess" is therefore really a story of a sharp contrast of characters—the teacher representing the old fashioned spinster who becomes an old maid in repressed suffering, and "The Tattooed Countess" representing the modern woman who lives life to the last drop.

How the brilliant Countess comes to the small town and the honors with which she is received make a story full of chuckles. How she shocks her withered sister and the town with her make-up and her smoking, how the town nevertheless gives a grand gala concert in her honor, offer still more chuckles. But how the poor school teacher, who has all her life been burdened with a drunken, spendthrift father, loses the one human being she loves, brings a catch to the throat. "The Tattooed Countess" wins, but even as she takes Gareth with her, she feels that her happiness cannot last. How long can fifty and seventeen find even companionship together?



Ralph Barton's Gay
Idea of "The Tattooed
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Her Boy Lover.

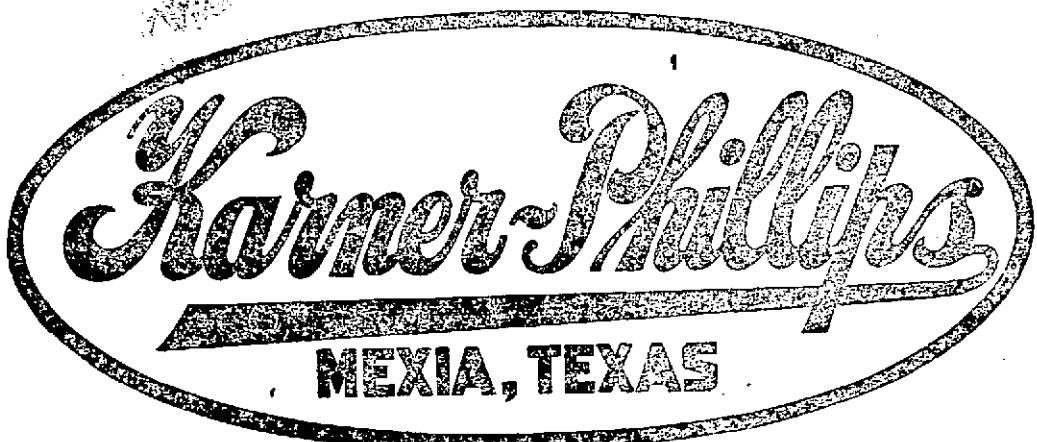


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Conspiracy Against Indian Potentate London Sensation

(By United Press)
LONDON, Nov. 29.—One of the principals in the "Mr. A" case was under arrest today and another was sought by Scotland Yard detectives. This was the not unexpected aftermath of the sensational trial in which a conspiracy to obtain \$1,500,000 from an unnamed Indian potentate was established. William Cooper Hobbs, one of the principal witnesses, and one of the conspirators who made away with \$200,000 of the rajah's money, was taken into custody as he attempted to leave the country and flee to Holland. It was announced that warrants had been issued for another man in the case. Charles Robinson, bookmaker, who sued the Midland Bank of London, for \$625,000 of the money obtained from the potentate and Mrs. Robinson, who became the rajah's mistress, were believed immune. A jury yesterday found them innocent of complicity in the conspiracy, although answering other questions put by the judge in way indicated it was doubtful if Robinson will get his money.

New Schedule Gives Service to Wortham

The New Railroad Schedule to become effective Monday gives Mexia train service to Wortham, suitable for the field worker as well as others who have business there. The New schedule is as follows:
STEAM TRAIN NO. 21.
Leave Mexia 6:00 a. m.
Arrive Wortham 6:20 a. m.
Arrive Dallas 9:10 a. m.
Leave Dallas 5:09 p. m.
Arrive Mexia 7:55 p. m.
MOTOR CAR.
Leave Ennis 5:10 a. m.
Arrive Mexia 6:25 a. m.
Leave Mexia 6:00 p. m.
Arrive Ennis 7:50 p. m.
Train No. 31 and 32 arriving in Mexia at 10:08 a. m. and leaving Mexia for Dallas at 12:50 p. m. has been discontinued.

JOHN McELROY SEES SANTA CLAUS EARLY

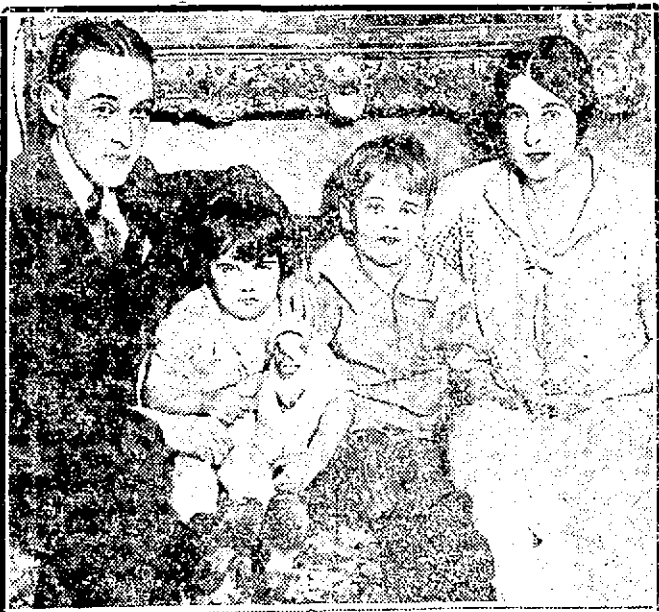
John I. McElroy of the firm of Higdon-McElroy saw Santa coming early this week. If the oil field was a gift from Santa, he found Higdon-McElroy's all decorated in Christmas style for him. The store was transformed overnight recently into a veritable Christmas scene, with streamers flowing, Christmas gifts placed prominently all around and bright with the promise of this being the biggest Christmas season Mexia has ever witnessed.

NEW CALIPH MAY BE COAL-BLACK AFRICAN

LONDON.—Advisers from Constantinople indicate that the new Caliph may be a coal-black native of North Africa. The Sheikh of the Senussi tribe is said to be a hot favorite for the position. The obstreperous Wahibis, who recently chased King Husein off his Caliphal throne and out of the Holy of Holies, are being urged to consent to the summoning of a congress in Mecca for the selection of a new potentate.

Miss Sarah Jones of Dallas is a delightful guest in the home of her sister, Mrs. J. C. Thomas.

BABY MEMBER OF CONGRESS



Andrew L. Somers, Democrat, elected to Congress from the Sixth District of Brooklyn, N. Y., is shown here with his wife and their two children. Mr. Somers will be the baby of the Congress, being only thirty-nine years old, just six days younger than Representative V. M. Chapman, Republican, of Kentucky.

Ex-Premier Mac To Go Visiting

(By United Press)
LONDON, Nov. 25.—Former Premier Ramsay MacDonald will visit Jamaica and Panama instead of making a trip through South America, according to the Daily Express. The trip probably will be made at the conclusion of the December session of Parliament and will end before that house reconvenes in February.

MEXIA STREETS WERE CROWDED LAST NIGHT

The streets of Mexia were crowded last night as in the days of the big boom. Some of the down town corners, especially at the intersection of Commerce and Sherman, were almost impassable. The reason is that the men working of derricks and pipe lines in the upper end of the field were here for their Saturday night holiday and spending their money with our business men. This shows that Mexia will reap a rich harvest from the field now opening in more ways than one.

SPEIGHT AND COOK DRILLING CAUTIOUSLY

The Speight and Roscoe Cook wells south of Mexia are still drilling every day. The Speight did not get a core Saturday and the drill is going down slowly and cautiously with confidence in the test increasing each day. The core taken Thursday showed what oil men call a pretty sand with unmistakable signs of oil. These tests are being watched with considerable interest, notwithstanding the excitement in the north east end of the field.

JACKIE AND THE REDS

BERLIN.—Jackie Coogan is playing a role in the communist election propaganda. The reds are circulating the story that Jackie "and some other American millionaires" are buying out the German railways. This, the communists say, will be bad for German workers.

Miss Mary Dexter left for her home in El Paso, following a visit during the fall with her mother, Mrs. J. D. Dexter of this place.

Arkansas Man Is Offered Place As Hospital President

(By United Press)
DALLAS, Nov. 29.—E. E. King, superintendent of Arkansas Baptist Hospital, Little Rock, has been offered the superintendency of Baylor hospital here, it was announced today. It was not known whether King will accept. The hospital executive board, in a signed statement, said "King had been offered the position in recognition of his record as superintendent of the Little Rock institution." Benjamin Davis, 15 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Davis, accidentally killed by a truck while on a visit to Arlington Friday is greatly mourned in this place. He was a member of the Junior class of the High School and his fellow students, as well as many grown up friends have expressed their great grief. The funeral will be largely attended, Sunday afternoon at the Christian church.

Hugh Allspangh of the Boyd Oil Company's Dallas offices, formerly with Humphreys at Mexia, was a local visitor this past week. He and his wife are expected to return to make their residence here with the opening of headquarters in this city.

Mrs. Harry Weeks and Jo McGregor have returned from a pleasant month spent in Colorado.

Penn Railroad Dock Burns At Jersey

(By United Press)
JERSEY CITY, N. J., Nov. 29.—The Pennsylvania Railroad docks on the North River were afire today. Two alarms had been turned in by 8:15 a. m. and all the city's available apparatus summoned. Pier K, at the foot of Second street, was reported ablaze. This was the third serious fire on the Jersey side within a few weeks.

NEGRO BANDIT KILLED.

(By United Press)
DETROIT, Mich., Nov. 29.—One unidentified negro bandit was shot and killed and his two companions escaped in a running gun battle with Patrolman George Wuns here early today when the three tried to hold up Wurm.

PRINCE IN PRISON

BERLIN.—Prince Alexander Trubetzkoy, adopted son of a Russian Admiral; Prince Vladimir Trubetzkoy, has been sentenced to three years in prison for a series of sleeping car robberies.

Pete Urschel, popular Field Superintendent of the Pure Oil Company, has accepted a similar position with the Boyd Oil Company, going back to the employ of a company headed by Colonel A. E. Humphreys.

George Eubanks of Westminster has been on a visit in the home of his brother A. H. Eubanks.

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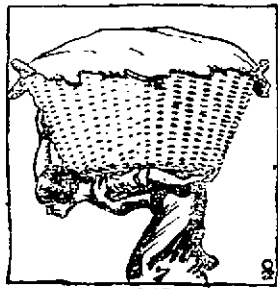
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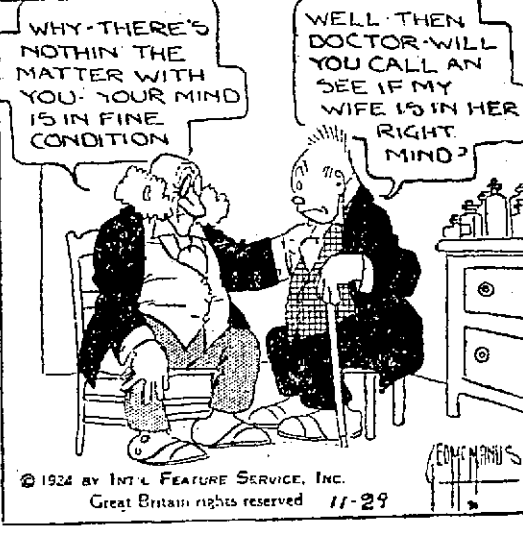
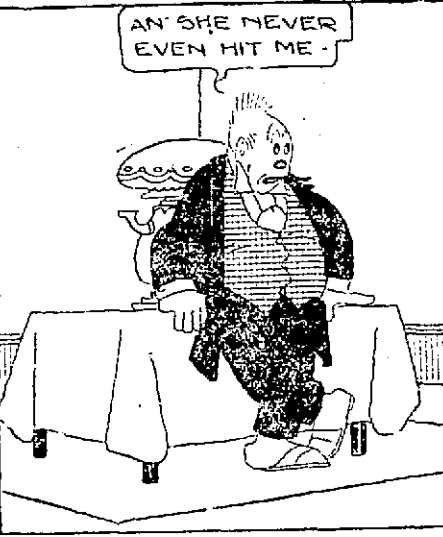
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North Bound.
No. 19 Dallas-Denison.....3:55 A. M.
No. 17 Dallas-Ft. Worth.....4:30 A. M.
No. 27 Dallas-Ft. Worth.....4:59 A. M.
No. 31 Dallas.....12:50 P. M.
No. 15 Dallas-Worth.....3:31 P. M.

South Bound.
No. 20 Houston.....12:16 A. M.
No. 38 San Antonio.....12:21 A. M.
No. 18 Houston.....1:37 A. M.
No. 32 From Dallas-stps.10:08 A. M.
No. 16 Hstn-Sa Antonio.11:55 A. M.

Cut-Off.
No. 346 Leaves.....7:00 A. M.
No. 345 Arrives.....1:45 P. M.

F. P. HUCHINGSON, Agt.
TRINITY & BRAZOS VALLEY

North Bound.
No. 8.....2:31 P. M.
South Bound.
No. 7.....12:24 P. M.

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FOR SALE—Switches, quality hair, switches and transformation made from combings and cut hair all work guaranteed 428 S. Belknap. 26-R-7

FOR SALE—1923 Coupe, good condition, bargain. Apply Box A, in care News. 28-2

FOR SALE—My new home on Palestine and Bailey Street, modern conveniences, Box M, in care News. 28-J-7

Houses and lots for sale, look no further. I may have just what you want. Several 4 and 5 room houses, well located, which I offer at a bargain. Some of these are located on Ross Avenue and others East of Ross. Best residential part of the city. D. A. KERZEE, Mexia, Texas.

FOR SALE—1924 Buick, will accept Ford as part payment, P. O. Box 25. 2-F-25

FOR SALE—Two lots on Sumpter Street. Good location. See COX W. BRODAX, Farrar Lbr. Co. 25-R-5

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WILL SELL Lot in Sunshine Addition, just East of Ross. \$400, \$100 cash down, balance terms to suit. See W. K. Boyd. 30J10

FOR SALE—Residence lots, lights, water, gas and sewer. Close to payments, easy term. It will pay to investigate this offer. CARL DAVIS, phone 399. R-31-30

FOR SALE—Well located exclusive Ladies Ready to Wear and Millinery shop doing good business. Reason for selling other store require more full time. W. A. EVERETT.

LOTS FOR SALE ON ROSS—Two lots for sale on North Ross. See F. R. Klotz (owner) for price and particulars. 30J7

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ENGRAVING—All kinds of cards, business cards, visiting cards. See our samples. Phone 146. News Publishing Co. 29J30

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See F. R. KLOTZ (owner) for terms and condition and full particulars of sale of above land.

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FOR RENT.

FOR RENT—Front southeast bedroom at 418 E. Milam St., MRS. J. D. ARRINGTON. 28L4

FOR RENT—Nicely furnished bedroom adjoining bath, also garage, close in town, 411 E. Main, phone 194. 28-K-2

FOR RENT—Two furnished rooms with lights water, and gas, private entrance, see 729 E. Palestine St. Corner Palestine and Kennedy St. 28-K-2

FOR RENT—Nicely furnished bedroom for one or two gentlemen, with bath joining hot and cold water. 302 S. McKinney St. 28L3

FOR RENT—Furnished and unfurnished housekeeping rooms, water, sewerage, gas, also have large room for a couple, close in and on pavement. Phone 683 J. See them at 201 N. Bonham. 23-L-7

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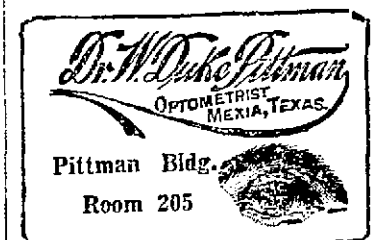
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Wortham Has Its Busiest Day Of All on Saturday

Wortham went through the busiest day of her history Saturday. All day long the streets jostled with thousands of visitors, prospectors and workmen. The three business blocks between the Railroad and the X-All highway were jammed with vehicles and the vanguard of even larger crowds yet to come.

The old boom which never fully materialized enabled Wortham to be better prepared than many new oil towns for the reception of the throngs. Many hotels, lodging houses, store buildings, and warehouses built to take care of the first rush which never came until lately, has at last proven to have been a benefit and a blessing in enabling Wortham citizens to take care of the situation better than they otherwise would.

Contractors, lease men, promoters, brokers, oil field followers and "hangers on," oil field workers and big horses and bigger trucks and and wagons proved a scene that always delights the oil fraternity.

One veteran team contractors, a veteran of Burk Burnett and Ranger has arrived in the field. he has 150 teams on their way to Wortham right now.

Lumber dealers are doing their best to meet the demand of the rapidly rising field. Within one hour after the Simmons came in, the supply in Wortham was exhausted and connections were established with yards elsewhere and trucks ordered out from Waco, Dallas, Corsicana and other points some distance away.

POLE DERRICK IS ALMOST UNCANNY IN ITS OPERATION

There are erected in the Bell System each year in the neighborhood of 600,000 new telephone poles. In addition, the maintenance of over 14,000,000 poles involves the moving, removing, resetting and straightening of large numbers of poles annually. To accomplish this immense task the pole derrick is being used more and more.

A very light weight, easily operated type of pole derrick has been

developed for use in the Bell System, by means of which three persons, a chauffeur and two men, can erect a 35 or 40 foot chestnut pole in a few minutes, work which formerly took seven or eight men, several times as long to accomplish. The derrick is mounted on a two and one-half ton truck. It is constructed of high grade steel tubing, having a strength at the yielding point of approximately 70,000 pounds per square inch.

A pole derrick can be taken out of its rack on the truck and assembled in position to handle a pole in three or four minutes. The actual time of erecting a pole is ordinarily very short. In fact, under average conditions, poles are erected and dropped into previously dug holes at the rate of about two minutes a pole.

Economy Filling Station Handling Humble Products

Tevis Morrow, manager of the Economy Filling Station, announces that his station is hereafter to handle Humble Products. This announcement will no doubt be very pleasing to patrons of that concern, since Humble Products have become so well known and appreciated here. The Economy is located at the Southwest corner of Main and McKinney Street, in the same block in which the Humphreys Building is located, where the Boyd Oil Company will hereafter maintain headquarters.

Rev. G. W. Kincheloe Visits In Mexia

Rev. G. W. Kincheloe who has for the past two years been the pastor of the Mexia Methodist circuit and who made his home here, at the recent session of the Texas Conference was assigned work to assist over the conference in Centenary Collections. He is assistant to Secretary J. E. Grafton, General Secretary of the Centenary. Rev. and Mrs. Kincheloe have recently moved to Corsicana. He arrived Saturday to spend a few days here and his

Wife Bobbed Hair, So He Grows Whiskers



ROY C. PAGE, MEXIA.

Roy C. Page, noted flyer, who brought down four German planes in the World War, and who is now a night flying airmail pilot between Omaha and Chicago, thought his wife's long, flowing hair was beautiful. But she would be modern, so she bobbed it. To get even he discarded his razor, and refuses to shave until his wife lets her hair grow long again.

many friends were so glad to see him. Rev. H. H. Nance was sent to the Mexia circuit and he is filling his fourth Sunday appointments today.

Silverfox pelts bring as much as \$2000 each.

Interscholastic League Holds Its Fifth Program

AUSTIN, Texas, Nov. 29.—The fifth annual breakfast and section meeting of the University of Texas Interscholastic League was held in the ballroom of the Gunter Hotel in San Antonio, last Friday morning, according to an announcement made by Roy Bedichek, head of the League.

"Vital problems connected with the work of the League are discussed annually at this function," said Mr. Bedichek, "and it is second only in importance, so far as the work of the organization is concerned, to the annual meeting of delegates which is held during the State meet. Not only are general problems of wholesome inter-school competitions discussed, but specific rules recommended at this meeting are often incorporated into the rules and regulations of the organization."

The program was as follows: "Honest Competition," State Superintendent S. M. N. Marrs; "The Competitive Stimulus in Health Education," Mrs. C. W. Wilcox, Houston; "How Town and Country May Get Together in the County Meet," Supt. M. V. Peterson, Yorktown; "Organizing and Conducting a League Meet," Supt. J. H. Gregory, Kenedy; "Building up a Successful Rural School Meet," Mrs. Daily Bible, Meridian. T. H. Shelby, director of extension, University of Texas, will preside.

MRS. HARDING LAID AT REST.



MRS. HARDING'S FUNERAL. MEXIA.

The casket containing the body of Mrs. Warren G. Harding, widow of the late President Harding, is shown being carried from the Epworth Methodist Episcopal Church, Marlon, O., to the cemetery, where she was laid to rest beside the body of her distinguished husband.

Boyd to Construct Big Warehouse in R. R. Yards Here

The Boyd Oil Company is making arrangements to build one of the biggest warehouses in the oil fields in Mexia, the construction

work to start at once. A lease has been secured along T&BV right of way near the former first warehouse of the Humphreys Oil Company, when Colonel Humphreys was its President. The Colonel supervised the selection of the location himself. In a short while, following the dispatch with which the Boyd President does things, material will be rolling to this warehouse and yardage.

BODY OF DEAD OIL BURNS IN OIL FIELD

One of the biggest clouds of smoke seen here rolled southward for several hours Saturday from a body of dead oil in the old Mexia oil field. Questions were asked constantly as to what it was that was burning.

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AND MORE THAN THAT

Whether you live in Mexia, in Wortham or out in the field, remember Higdon-McElroy Co. have for your selection the best assorted stock of Dry Goods, Men's Wear, and Women's Wear to be found anywhere.

Our store opens at 6:30 a. m.; plenty time for the early shopper. Our store does not close till 9:00 p. m., giving the working man a chance to do his shopping at night.

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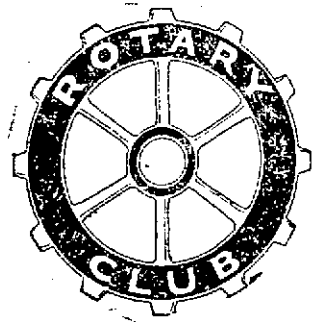
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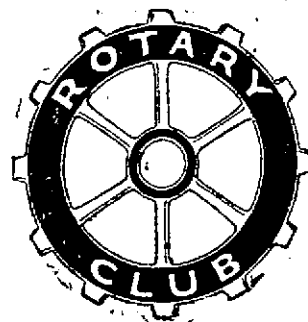
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He Profits Most Who Serves Best



"Somebody said it couldn't be done,
But "Al" with a chuckle replied,
That 'maybe it couldn't' but he would be one
Who wouldn't say so till he'd tried.
So he buckled right in with the trace of a grin
On his face—if he worried he hid it;
He started to sing as he tackled the thing
That couldn't be done—AND HE DID IT."



Great things through greatest hazards are achieved, and then they shine.

Rotarian Ab, we hail thy triumphant return to our splendid city, in a spirit of cordial good will, sincere friendship and brotherly fraternalism.

Our hearts and homes acclaim a welcome to you and yours both generous and magnanimous and bid you a happy and prosperous sojourn among us.

Cordially and Rotarily,

MEXIA ROTARY CLUB

J. W. Elliott, Secretary.

A. Hardy Eubanks, President.



A cordial greeting and a sincere welcome home to Colonel Humphreys, a man who has ever affiliated himself with and striven with us to realize the high ideals of our Civic Organizations.

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MEXIA CROWDED WITH FARMERS BUYING AND SELLING

Saturday was a busy day in Mexia, farmers and their families coming in in growing numbers, from the extending Mexia trade territory. They are already beginning to think of Christmas, according to local merchants, and while here Saturday, many of them were impressed more than ever with Mexia as a market for their farm products.

Milk, eggs, poultry, feed stuff, vegetables, fruit and other produce fresh from the farm are demanded here and the best market at all seasons is assured to any one who has anything to sell.

Thanksgiving week saw quite a number of turkeys raised around here brought in and sold to Mexia citizens. It is hoped that a still greater number of "home grown gobblers" will be brought in.

There were 52,235 bales of cotton ginned in Limestone County,

MacMurray Is Named Aide to Hughes



JOHN VAN A. MACMURRAY

John Van A. MacMurray, of Princeton, N. J., Chief of the Far East Division of the State Department, has been appointed Assistant Secretary of State by President Coolidge, succeeding the late A. A. Adee. Mr. MacMurray is forty-three years of age and has been attached to the diplomatic service in Peking and Tokio.

from the crop of 1924, prior to November 14th, according to census bureau representative of this place. He states that on the same date last year, the ginner report showed that 47,980 bales had been ginned.

PECAN VENDER IS ON STREETS OF WORTHAM; TYPICAL OIL SCENE

Old scenes viewed in Mexia four years ago were recalled Saturday at Wortham, as the pecan vender put in his appearance, established himself at prominent places and began selling nuts to the pecan loving public. Three little lads were busy at one stand. They paid \$7 for a sack full of pecans and had sold \$17 worth before night, with the sack not empty yet and the sale going on.

Frank Boyd and Bob Stivers returned to their homes at Ripley, Ohio, the latter part of the week. These gentlemen, Colonel Humphreys and Julius Fohs and other Boyd officials have been staying at the home of Mayor and Mrs. Ernest Watson and Mr. and Mrs. Allen Hatch. The Colonel expects to go to New York early in December.

The discovery of the new oil field at Mexia and Wortham this past week has brought to the city many leading oil men from all parts of the United States. Also, it has attracted many of the citizens who were former residents of this place, scores of whom are planning to reside here again.

Miss Elise Gibson who is attending school at Trinity University in Waxahachie is spending the week end with her parents Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Gibson on East Sumpter Street.

Mrs. R. L. McIlvain has been here several days with her husband who is Vice President of the Pure Oil Company. They are located in the former home of Colonel Humphreys on South Belknap.

The fair weather this past week has permitted many visitors to leave their automobiles in the open. As a result, in front of all hotels, long lines of automobiles are parked day and night.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Thompson and Mrs. J. O. Stephens were Sunday visitors in the home of Mrs. Stephens' parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Rambo of Oakwood.

Miss Emma Jean Smith who is attending school in Kid-Key College is spending Thanksgiving holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sandford Smith.

Judge Elkins, General Counsel for the Boyd Oil Company, of Houston was a visitor in the field this past week.

Ben Hunt of this city was a Houston visitor Wednesday.

CHIEF FIGURES IN DAY'S DEVELOPMENTS.



Above: REV. COUNT AUGUSTINE GALEN & ETHEL LEGINSKA. Below: JOHN L. LEWIS & SAMUEL GOMPERS.

John L. Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers of America, is being urged upon President Coolidge as next Secretary of Labor to succeed James J. Davis. Samuel Gompers, veteran head of the American Federation of Labor, has been re-elected president at the El Paso, Tex., convention of the organization. Ethel Leginska, pianist and composer, has returned to America from Europe to direct the New York Symphony Orchestra, the only woman who ever enjoyed that distinction. Rev. Count Augustine Galen, former chaplain to the late Empress of Austria, has reached New York for an American tour.

DOUBLE TRACK COMPANY TO BE ORGANIZED SOON

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Nov. 29.—Organization of the company which is to build a double track electric railroad between Kansas City and St. Louis will be completed Monday, according to announcement here following issuance of a charter to the company yesterday. The proposed railroad will be 238 miles long and will shorten the time between the two cities by about four hours.

The road will be financed by the sale of bonds. The company is capitalized at \$2,400,000.

Alvin Spearman from Baylor University of Waco is spending the Thanksgiving holidays here visiting his sister Miss Lessie Spearman.

Dr. E. P. Murdock and daughter, Miss Annie Laura of Oakwood were Mexia visitors Tuesday.

Mrs. R. A. Shepherd and baby are visiting relatives in Houston since Wednesday.

S. M. U. Concedes Baylor Is Winner Of Championship

(By United Press)
DALLAS, Nov. 29.—Southern Methodist University is prepared to concede 1924 Southwestern Conference football laurels to Baylor University.

This was made known in a statement issued by Ray Morrison, an SMU coach who denied rumors SMU would contest the probable award to Baylor.

"Both teams were undefeated in the conference," Morrison's statement said. "Since SMU has played four tie games and in view of Baylor's victories over Arkansas and A. & M. (teams tied by S. M.) it seems now the only part of good sportsmanship to concede the championship."

Trade at Home—For Mexia I Will.

SUTTON HERE FOR PRAIRIE COMPANY

B. W. Sutton, who maintains his headquarters at Tulsa, Southwestern Superintendent of the Prairie

Pipe Line Company, is in Mexia, attending to business in connection with the new Mexia Wortham oil field. The Prairie maintains its headquarters in the Pittman building in this city.

Six o'clock is an interesting hour in the down town district. Hundreds of field workers are to be seen lined up on streets waiting for trucks and conveyances to carry them to the new oil field.

We Join In

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WELCOMING

The return of—

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IT IS WITH GREAT PLEASURE THAT WE WELCOME YOU BACK TO MEXIA.

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To The

GREATEST OIL OPERATOR

The Country Has Ever Seen

We Welcome You

In you, Colonel Humphreys, we have a friend who has brought happiness and prosperity to us, and we appreciate you and reverence you. We welcome you as a splendid gentleman and a genius in oil operations.

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STOREY HOME IS SCENE OF MUCH PLEASURE FRIDAY

The banquet given to the football boys by Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Storey Friday evening at their home 801 E. Commerce came as a fitting culmination of the seasons successful close.

A color scheme of red and black, the high school colors, was carried out through out the house. The centerpiece for the banquet table was a shower of red chrysanthemums. The same flowers were in profusion in the living room and hall.

A plate dinner was served consisting of baked turkeys, dressing, cranberry jelly, potatoes, salad, celery, and hot rolls.

The color scheme was very beautiful in the demi-tasse and red cake.

Miss Clara Belle Bybee, football sponsor, was toastmistress. Dick Buford toasted Mr. Poter, coach. Wilbur Hoelzel toasted Mr. Frank Evans, who helped them all the season. W. B. Murphy gave a toast to Miss Catherine McGrail who has always been an enthusiastic helper of the team.

Rev. Victor K. Aubrey gave a beautiful tribute to Mr. and Mrs. Storey and their always inspiring interest in high school athletics.

Mrs. Storey was assisted by her daughter Margaret, and Misses Pearie Goolsby, Dannie Loyd Bowers, Genevieve Hughes and Marianna Murphy.

Suggested Laws To Protect Game

(By United Press)
DALLAS, Nov. 29.—Suggestions for legislation designed to make the state a "happy hunting ground" filled with wild game of 11 descriptions, were drawn up at a meeting of the Texas Game and Fish Conservation Commission by John Stayton of Dallas, secretary-treasurer.

Stayton termed past legislation tendent to promote game preserve as a "bluff" as there was no law which would support the plans.

Some of the suggestions laid down by Stayton in his plan to restock and protect the state game were:

1.—Creation of a non-partisan

AGAIN UNDER CURSE OF HOPE DIAMOND.



MR. & MRS. JOHN A. SMUTS, MEX.

John A. Smuts, said to be a cousin of General Jan Christian Smuts, of South Africa, is in a critical condition in a Boston hospital as the result of a bullet wound, which he declared was self-inflicted, though the police were at a loss to understand how he could have shot himself. His wife was the former May Yoh, actress, who married Lord Francis Hope, possessor of the baneful Hope Diamond, which she wore on several occasions. Then she ran away from Lord Hope with Major Putnam Bradley Strong, whom later she divorced and married Captain Smuts.

game commission composed of true sportsmen with about five members.

2.—Creation of a state-wide system of game refuges and hunting grounds.

3.—Adoption of a law which will declare all state parks as game sanctuaries.

4.—Complete protection of remaining antelope.

5.—Adoption of a universal hunter's license with only exemption of counties that have recently restocked with game and fish.

CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN

"A Friendly Church"

McKinney and Carthage Streets
Rev. Victor K. Aubrey, Pastor
Sunday school 9:45 a. m. Classes for all ages.

Morning service 11 a. m.
Vocal duet, Miss Elinor Moore,
Miss Hazel Manning.

Sermon, "Winning Life Recruits".
Tuesday.

Junior Christian Endeavor, 3 p. m.
Senior Christian Endeavor, 6:15.
Evening service 7:15 p. m.

Bishop Quinn of Houston of the Episcopal Church will conduct the service. Everybody invited.

Wednesday evening, 6:15, Church night, "Food, Faith, Fun."

Thursday evening, 7:15, Choir practice at the church under the leadership of Mrs. E. M. Strange. The new leader will be present to assume charge of the choir.

Many social events were enjoyed by the ladies of the city and community this past week. Bridge "42" and other diversions were forgotten, for a while at least, at many of the events while the ladies discussed current oil field topics.

Oran Arrington of San Antonio was a Mexia visitor this past week, visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Arrington, and also attending Karen's ceremonial at Waco on last Tuesday.

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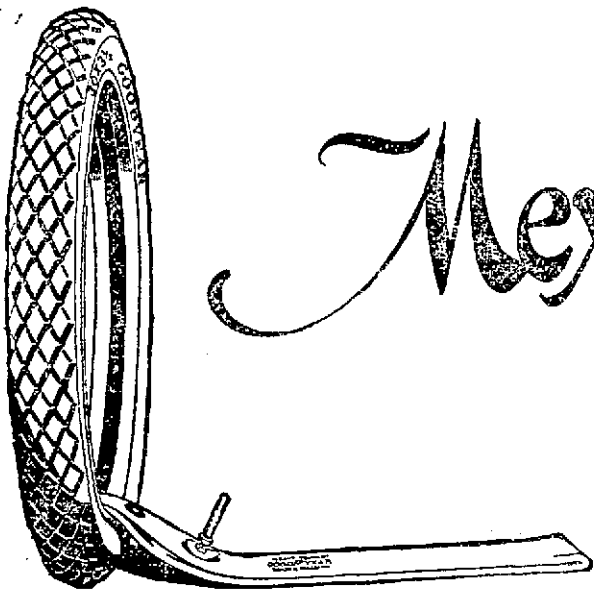
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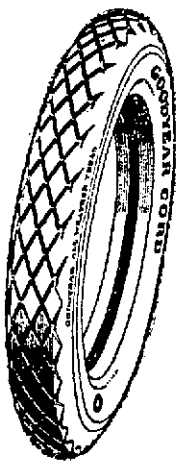
Welcome-Homecoming

COLONEL ALBERT E. HUMPHREYS--

We extend to you the welcoming hands of friends. Mexia is happy that you have returned and rejoices in your grand successes.



Mexia Battery & Tire Co., Inc.
Mexia, Texas



Colonel Humphreys—

**We Welcome You
Back With Us!**

WE extend to you the glad hand of this bank. It made our hearts leap with joy when we learned that you were returning to Mexia and bringing with you the offices of your company. You have meant a lot to us—first as a friend and citizen, and secondly, as a business man who has brought undreamed of prosperity to Mexia and our country.



Farmers State Bank

"The Big Friendly Bank"

SOUDAN MUTINY MORE SERIOUS THAN FIRST REPORTED

CAIRO, Nov. 20.—The mutiny in the Sudan was more serious than first meager reports indicated. Fanatical Soudanese troops who rushed the military hospital at Khartoum put up a desperate street battle when British regulars intervened.

The blacks were shot down in repeated volleys.

All direct wires between Khartoum and Cairo are cut and only mutilated wireless messages are being received. At least one British and two Syrian physicians were killed by the blacks as they stormed the military hospital. The ensuing slaughter is understood to have been heavy.

Two British officers were killed in the street fighting and eight British privates were wounded.

The dispatch, which contained this information said the situation was well in hand.

Definite news that the mutiny has been quelled has not yet been received, although this was inferred.

A serious aspect to the situation from the British viewpoint was that these troops which multiplied are real Soudanese, not Egyptian, indicating there is disaffection among the former as well as the latter.

The mutiny occurred Friday. Between 100 and 200 black Soudanese troops, belonging to the Eleventh battalion, were involved.

Under orders from the British high command, the native officers had been removed. Resentful of this the blacks organized their hopeless revolt.

The Soudanese directed their attack against the military hospital and shot down three doctors who opposed them. One of the victims was British, two Syrian.

Then the Soudanese ran amuck in the streets. A handful of British troops went to the attack. A fierce running fight ensued.

Soon all the British troops in Khartoum were engaged. They brought up machine guns and threw barricades across the streets, pouring repeated volleys in the badly organized ranks of the native mutineers.

The latter, many of whom may have had the blood of the Dervishes who fought Kitchener, in their veins, battled fanatically. Repeatedly, they hurled themselves in little groups against the splitting, crackling nozzles of the Lewis guns that moved them down.

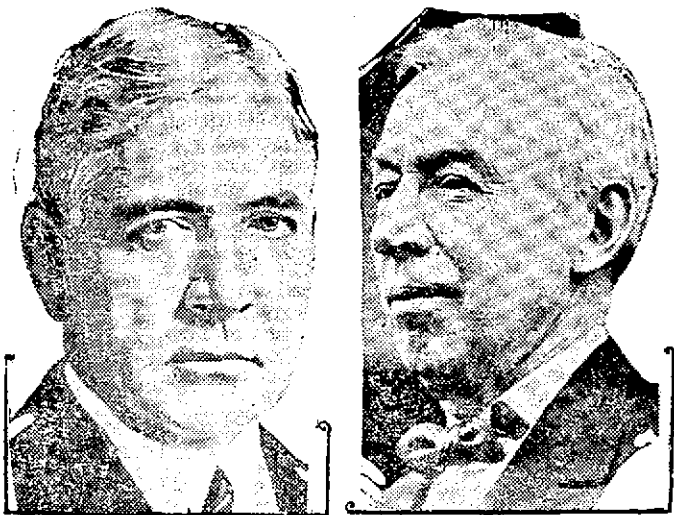
The British outnumbered their men and were being reinforced each minute. Some Soudanese, under British orders, helped attack the mutineers. Some of the Soudanese, after their losses had become terrific in the street fighting, barricaded themselves in the hospital, which was then surrounded by British.

British losses were not announced in the brief dispatches that have leaked through from Khartoum.

Cairo remained reasonably quiet.

John I. McElroy was a Waco visitor Tuesday.

CHIEF FIGURES IN NEWS OF THE DAY.



Above: FRANK O. LOWDEN & CLEM SHAVER
Below: JOSEPH CAILLAUX & ADMIRAL BEATTY

Ex-Governor Frank O. Lowden, of Illinois, who refused the Republican nomination for the Vice-Presidency, severely injured his knee by a fall on a train en route from Atlanta to Savannah, Ga. Admiral Lord David Beatty, who commanded the combined British and American Grand Fleets during the World War, is expected to retire shortly as First Sea Lord of the British Admiralty. Joseph Caillaux, ex-Premier of France, found guilty in 1918 of "having impeded the progress of the war" has been voted amnesty by the French Senate, the Chamber of Deputies having already acted. Clem Shaver, of West Virginia, chairman of the Democratic National Committee, is expected shortly to announce his retirement.

Road To New Oil Field To Be Made Wider In Places

The condition of the road from Mexico to Wortham is being watched every carefully, and will be improved immediately. A gang of men worked all Saturday on the holes and wash outs filling them the best they could. County Commissioner Jno. Kennedy is in Dallas now making arrangements for more right of way along the narrow stretch of road beyond the large iron bridge. The road will be improved here and widened about fifteen feet. Mr. Kennedy will move his camps up on the Wortham Mexico road Monday and will begin work in earnest the same morning. Danger signs have been ordered and will be placed along the narrow places of the road at once. The road is in good traveling condition at present and with the proposed work completed all danger should be eliminated.

Irene Westmoreland is up again following the minor injuries sustained in an automobile accident Thursday while en route to Ft. Worth to attend the State B. Y. P. U. convention.

Many from here attended the big football games at Austin, Houston, and Dallas on Thanksgiving Day.

TEXAS PROGRESS NOTES

GALVESTON.—Plans are complete and work will begin at once on laying a submarine telephone cable between Galveston and Virginia Point.

NAVASOTA.—Arrangements are being made for construction of electric transmission lines to several points in Grimes county, a franchise having been granted to the Western Public Service Company for such service.

LITTLEFIELD.—An electric power and light plant has been completed in this city and a street lighting system has been installed by the Littlefield Electric Light and Power Company.

ABILENE.—Announcement has been made here that the West Texas utilities company has taken over the electric power and light properties and franchises at San Angelo and several connected points.

WACO.—It is expected that the electric street railway line to Bellmead will be completed and in operation by January 1.

The young men's class of the First Methodist church cordially invites every oil man, field worker and visitor to its class on Sunday morning. The class meets in the basement of the church.



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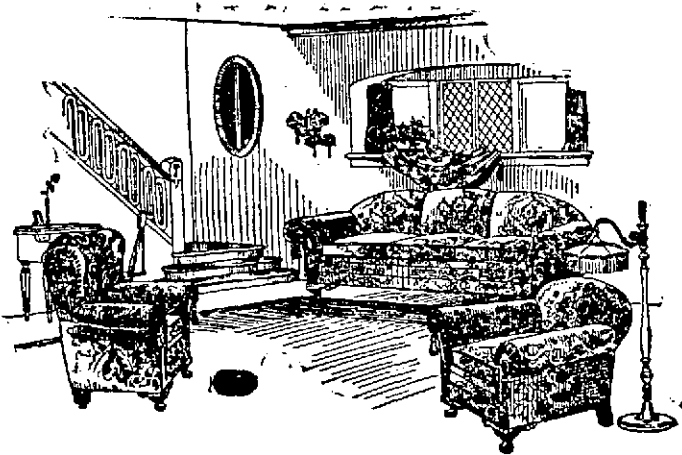
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TEXAS RAPIDLY ELIMINATING RAILROAD X-INGS

W. T. WHEELER,
Secretary, Texas Highway Association.

The tremendous increase in traffic on the public highways in the past few years, due to better facilities for rapid and satisfactory highway transport, has brought forth fresh problems which Federal and State officials, as well as public-spirited citizens generally, are now seeking solutions. Chief among these problems is the reduction and ultimate elimination of accidents on the ways, with particular reference to mishaps at railroad crossings.

One of the agencies attempting to cope with this situation is the Texas Council of Safety, the first general meeting of which will be held in Austin on December 4. Invitations to the meeting have been sent to hundreds of civic organizations throughout the State and indications are that it will be largely attended.

The Texas Highway association, one of the organizations invited to conference, was organized in 1922, one of its purposes being to make highway travel safe for the general public. It has given the problem considerable study, and will be represented at Austin by its President, W. E. Lea of Orange.

More than 2,000 persons were killed at grade crossings during 1923, according to statistics gathered from states where records of traffic accidents are kept, and several times this number were injured more or less seriously.

Different states have adopted different methods of abating this useless slaughter. Two have passed laws requiring all vehicles to come to a full stop before crossing a railroad track; others have adopted such safety measures as watchmen, gates, bells and lights and some consideration has been given the matter of requiring trains on unimportant lines to stop before crossing a heavily-traveled highway.

A study made by the Texas Highway Association shows that none of these methods are fool-proof and that, in fact, the only absolutely safe railroad crossing is no crossing at all.

Rapid strides have been made within the last few years in the elimination of grade crossings, nearly 4,000 having been done away with in the past seven years. It is estimated, however, that 10,000 still exist.

Texas has taken a leading part in this work, having eliminated 290 grade crossings from 1916 to 1923. This record is exceeded by only two states, Iowa, where 496 were done away with and North Carolina, where 345 were eliminated in the same period.

Of the crossings eliminated in Texas, 203 have been by the relocation of highways; 31 underpasses have been provided and 10 overhead passages constructed.

It is the view of the Texas Highway association, as voiced by its president, that the public highway has the right of way over the railroads, and that the responsibility of eliminating grade crossings rests as heavily upon the railroad as upon the general public; that the highways are a public necessity and convenience and that rail roads are operated for private gain.

This view is substantiated in an article in the current issue of American Highways (Washington), the official publication of the American Association of State Highway Officials, which says that "in considering the relationship between the county or state and the railroad authorities in the cost of railroad crossing eliminations, it must not be forgotten that in most cases the highways were located before the railroads were built. Highways had the right of way, but they were so miserable and the methods of travel were so slow that the railroads crossed them at will, and no one dreamed of future transportation developments. Besides, the first trains were stove-wood fed, and often had to stop to get up steam if they blew a whistle."

But a Twentieth Century, Overland or Sunset Limited has brought on increased highway crossing accidents, and court juries generally find for the deceased's relatives. Generally speaking, the railroad authorities recognize that the railroads should aid in grade-crossing eliminations, and justly recently the officials of the Western Maryland Highway Commission for its share in the cost of elimination of a certain grade crossing, expressed great satisfaction in the work accomplished and stated that this method was far more effective in the curtailment of the loss of life than could possibly be obtained by a recent order of the Interstate Commerce Commission requiring the railroads to equip all their engines with automatic train-control device. It is said that this change of equipment will cost the railroads of equip-

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Class 1 \$1,855,000,000, and they believe that this money expended on grade crossing eliminations will accomplish much more in the saving of life."

Cooperation of the public also is necessary in making effective any program of safety, and as the article quoted concludes, "state highway departments and city officials are making every effort to give service much beyond the mere service of construction and maintenance, but all their efforts are greatly discounted if the general public does not lend its hearty cooperation."

Miss Virginia Lee Carmen is spending the holidays here with her parents, from Kid-Key College at Sherman.

LONG LEGGED.

(By United Press)

DALLAS, Nov. 29.—Household hint. If you sleep with your feet in a window—keep the window up. Horace West, 18, was given emergency hospital treatment here for a badly gashed foot. Horace told physicians that he stretched out his leg while asleep and jammed it through a large window pane.

Judge A. M. Blackmon of Groesbeck was a Mexia visitor Friday.

NOTICE.

Eastern Star meet in Masonic Hall Monday night at 7:30. Important meeting, all visitors welcome. Mrs. Oscar Denning, W. M.

Too Late To Classify

FOR SALE—Three vacant lots near Cotton Mill, all south front, one a corner. N. P. HOUX, owner, at News office. 30-1

FOR RENT—Room to two gentlemen with all conveniences, adjoining garage, phone 117, 301 North Ross. 30-3

FOR SALE—Nice five room house, all conveniences, at 818 E. Sumpter, see A. W. Bonner at W. A. Jackson Co. 30-7

WANTED—Girls, good clean, healthy, work. New Way Laundry, phone 399. 29-A-7

ROOM AND BOARD for couples, excellent well cooked meal in private home. MRS. J. W. LANNING, phone 641W, 212 South Canton. 30-1

FOR RENT—Two furnished rooms for four men. Lights, water and gas, private entrance. 729 E. Palestine St. Corner Palestine and Kennedy Sts. 29-K-1

FOR RENT—One two room, one three room apartment and desirable bed room to rent, 109 E. Rusk, near Sherman. 29-L-1

FOR RENT—Nicely furnished room with private bath. Hot and cold water. Preferably tow men. 507 S. Canton St. Phone 98-J. 30-1

FOR RENT—Large bedroom, with closet, five windows, adjoining bath, gas and all modern conveniences. 825 E. Commerce. 29-L1

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FOR RENT—2 rooms, furnished, with bath, for men or light house-keeping. 503 S. Kaufman. Mrs. H. G. Cochran. 30-L2

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FOR RENT—Southeast sleeping room in private home. Extra large room over garage, twin beds, all conveniences, close in on pavement. Men preferred. MRS. G. W. PERKINS, 409 E. Carthage. 30-K3

FOR RENT—Three furnished rooms, see W. H. HART, at Wilson & Beaver. 30-7

FOR RENT—Two nice rooms for light house keeping, modern conveniences, 412 E. Palestine. 30-2

FOR SALE—Gates apartments, 35 rooms in best part of town, 834 E. Commerce Street, owner here for few days will sell these apartments completely furnished, 75 feet paid paving and all so you can double your money, call 633, ask for Jamison. 29-J1

FOR SALE CHEAP—8 room house, close in, corner lot, pavement on both sides, all modern conveniences. See T. F. Morrow, Economy Filling Station, Phone 420. 30-17

FOR RENT—Two rooms furnished apartment, hot and cold water, lights and gas, 712 East Titus St. 30-1

FOR SALE—Four room house and lot with garage, lot 50x115 feet. One block east of Ross Avenue. Price \$750 cash. See REID PARTLOW at V. Wolferton Co. 30-17

FOR SALE BY OWNER—168 1/2 acres black land one mile east city limits of Temple; well improved with two story residence, large barn, minor out buildings and fences; 150 acres cultivation balance pasture; inexhaustible water supply and thirty to forty acres could be put under irrigation at small expense; price \$200 per acre. Address Jno. B. Daniel, Temple, Texas. 30-F7

FOR RENT—Nice rooms with all conveniences for couple. Call at 801 East Main St. 30-L3

FOR SALE—Cheap and liberal terms, unimproved brick business house at 201 E. Main St., Mexia, Texas. Will exchange for Dallas property. Address owner, L. O. Robertson, 1207 So. Akard St., Dallas, Texas. 30-1

FOR RENT—Nicely furnished rooms Phone 764-W or apply 205 So. Kaufman. 30-L3

FOR RENT—Bed rooms to rent, will accommodate four or six men. Hot and cold water, close in on pavement, telephone 140 or 372, 502 E. Main. 29-L-7

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FOR SALE—Pure bred Cornish game chickens; also Dorcas Regal, White Wyandotte chickens. Prices are reasonable, Mexia route 3, box 80. Phone, Tehuacana. Mrs. Marsac. 30-J1

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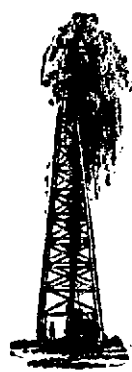
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